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WHIRLWIND TOUR OF NEW YORK CITY

Dr. Washington Makes Series of Speeches in Interest of National League on Urban Conditions of Negroes

CAUSE OF SOCIAL SERVICE ABLY PROMOTED

Mrs. W. H. Baldwin, Jr., Head of Helpful National Organization—Major Moten Ably Assists—Borough President Marks Presides Over Monster Meeting—The "Wizard's" Plain Talk on the Needs and Achievements of the Colored People—Open-Handed Hospitality Extended Party by Substantial Citizens.

By R. W. Thompson.

Special to The Freeman.

NEW YORK CITY, May 17.—The nation's metropolis was aflame yesterday from Harlem to Brooklyn, and from the precincts of San Juan Hill to the middle downtown district, with the spirit of better living opportunities and a keener sense of civic righteousness for all classes of our people, fanned by four practical and wholesome addresses by Dr. Booker T. Washington and the constructive activities of the National League on Urban Conditions Among Negroes.

At 11 o'clock in the morning Doctor Washington spoke to 1,200 people at the Union Baptist Church in Sixty-third street; to more than 6,000 at the immense Palace Casino at 1:30 o'clock; to 1,200 at 4 o'clock at the Abyssinian Baptist Church in Fortieth street, in connection with a special meeting under the direction of the Young Women's Christian Association; and at night to more than 1,500 at the Concord Baptist Church, Duffield street, near Myrtle avenue, in Brooklyn. The total number in attendance during the day was in excess of 10,000, and through them the entire 100,000 colored citizens of Greater New York were reached in one way or another. Each auditorium to which meetings were assigned was packed to its utmost capacity and many were turned away. At the Palace Casino fully 1,000 persons were unable to gain admission, and at the churches the galleries, aisles, side rooms and corridors were jammed with throngs of humanity, anxious to hear the message of hope and cheer that the distinguished Tuskegee educator had come to deliver. The National League on Urban Conditions, which, under the management of a strong official staff, has grown to be one of the most efficient agencies in the country for the uplift of the race, is delighted with the success of its "whirlwind campaign" of the day and it is felt that a substantial advancement has been made in the work of social service, to which it is devoting its best energies. Doctor Washington was in fine fettle throughout the long and arduous day and he seemed to grow stronger and more enthusiastic as the line of battle approached the camp of the enemy. He was never in better spirits and gave many evidences of gratification over the happy results that the campaign promised to realize. The local arrangements were in the hands of a committee headed by Eugene Kinckle Jones, associate director of the league, and they were admirably conducted. The party accompanying Doctor Washington included William H. Baldwin III, son of the late William H. Baldwin, Jr., a stanch friend of Negro progress, and whose mother is the very earnest and capable chairman of the National League on Urban Conditions; Lyman Beecher Stowe, grandson of the immortal Harriet Beecher Stowe, the author of Uncle Tom's Cabin, and himself a writer of international fame; Maj. R. R. Moton, commandant of the cadets at Hampton Institute and vice-chairman of the league; L. Hollingsworth Wood, secretary of the league and identified with the management of the Howard Orphanage; Fred R. Moore, editor of the New York Age; E. K. Jones, associate director of the league; Dr. E. P. Roberts, of the executive board; E. Davidson Washington, the Tuskegee educator's traveling secretary, and R. W. Thompson, of Washington, D. C., representing a syndicate of national newspapers.

Warm Reception at the Palace Casino.

The stellar meeting of the day, of course, was that held at the Palace Casino, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street and Madison avenue, in the heart of Harlem, where 40,000 Negroes have their habitat. The spacious structure was packed long before the hour announced for the opening, and a cordon of police was necessary to handle the crowd. More than 1,000 were turned away. Hon. Marcus M. Marks, president of the Borough of Manhattan, presided, and delivered a felicitous speech of introduction, in which the demand for liberty for all peoples, equality of opportunity and social justice were the predominant notes. He commended the unselfish labors of Doctor Washington and described him as the "Moses of his race." Mr. Marks' speech aroused the audience to a high pitch of enthusiasm and paved the way for the "feast" that was to follow.

Doctor Washington's Message of Hope.

Doctor Washington's address here and at the other meetings of the day was of an eminently practical nature. It dealt frankly, directly and forcefully with the vital needs of the Negro people, lauding them for the marvelous progress they have made since their emancipation, but pointing out in no uncertain terms the weaknesses and shortcomings that must be corrected ere they could expect to reap the full measure of the success that their well-wishers hope for them. Without oratorical frills or ornate word-painting, the speaker "got right down to brass tacks," and talked to them in language that the humblest could readily understand. After praising the typical New York Negro for his steady growth in business standing and testifying to his ambition to have the best of everything on earth, the "Wizard" said among other things:

"The Negro must settle down somewhere and make himself a vital part of some community. No race can succeed permanently that is always moving from place to place. The individual must choose whether he will live in the city or in the country, but wherever he decides to make his home, let him stay there and grow with the growth of that community and have a definite part in its development."

He preferred that the race should get near the soil and gather the riches of the earth. He thought the masses would fare better in the South, where the bulk of the race is working out its destiny and will continue to do so, for economic and social reasons. The problems of city life were complex and full of danger, and city life is expensive. His humorous sally about the sudden transition of a Negro family from the bottom lands of the Yazoo valley in Mississippi to a twelve-story apartment house in New York City, with electric lights and an elevator, brought down the house, as did many other anecdotes that illustrated his many philosophical arguments.

He dwelt strongly upon the superior advantages offered by this country as compared with portions of southern Europe, where he had closely studied conditions, and declared that no Amercan, black or white, could go abroad and not return without a deeper reverence for the stars and stripes. He condemned without stint the man who is ashamed of his race, bearing down heavily upon the Negro who is miserable, bitter and pessimistic because he "doesn't want to be a Negro and can't be white." He declared that he is proud that he belongs to a race that has achieved so much under the most discouraging circumstances; he would not exchange races with the whitest man on earth. He said the utterance that pleased him most in the magnificent address of Mr. Marks was the pride he evinced in the fact that he was a Jew—and was not ashamed of his race, but proud of its history and its vast possibilities. He wished no sympathy because of his identification with the Negro race; did not wish to be pitied as a member of a "downtrodden" race. Noting the wonderful advancement of the Negro, he claimed that we are an "up-trodden" people.

"Education for Service" Is the Keynote of Progress.

"Get all the education you can," advised Doctor Washington. "Go through the common schools, the high school, the college, the university and all, if you can. Prepare for a profession, a technical calling, for scientific agriculture, acquire a trade, go into business, if you will; nothing is too good for the Negro. But, let it not be forgotten that the primary end of all education is service. The best man is the man who can do the best—who makes the best of his time and talents for the service of humanity."

In this connection, Dr. Washinton dwelt at length upon the beauty and dignity of labor, holding that all useful work is honorable and praiseworthy, and that idleness is the crowning disgrace. He urged that the Negro husband take counsel with his wife and cultivate an ambition that will make him look forward to a promotion from drudgery into a more lucrative calling. He insisted that the husband be more confidential with his wife about his plans and his earnings, and that young women inquire more carefully into the business followed by young men who are courting them. The desirability of getting a bank account, of going to church at least once on Sunday, acquiring the pioneer spirit in business, investing money in a profitable manner that it may work while you are asleep, the danger of competition at the hands of foreigners who may migrate to these shores at the close of the European war and statistics showing the taxable values of the property owned by thrifty Negroes of Virginia and other states were discussed in an interesting way. The importance of a healthy body, a clear mind and constant industry were dwelt upon as essentials in holding a job that is worth while, and contrasting the easy times in the South, where job seeks the man with the lean situation in the cities of the North, where men are fighting for every available job. He counseled the race to give the colored store-keeper a rightful share of the Negro trade, and breaking down the color line observed at a market where all of the selling was done by whites and all of the buying by blacks. Undesirable roomers were told of to be avoided as far as possible, as well as the habit of "laying off" to do things that should be done at once. The practice of trying to buy everything that some one offered for sale was decried as an evil, and rigid economy was recommended. Dr. Washington showed how effectively the National League on Urban Conditions is meeting the Negro's needs in Greater New York in the matter of securing employment for the unemployed, protecting young women who come to the city as strangers, reforming housing conditions, fostering a better health movement and providing material for use in hospitals, relieving poverty and encouraging organizations that make for industrial efficiency.

A Summary of the Day's Proceedings.

At the opening of each of the four meetings of the "whirlwind tour" Associate Director E. K. Jones spoke briefly of the work of the League, distributed literature giving details of the things accomplished, and secured a large number of pledges for membership and liberal donations in aid of the cause. Major Moten made touching appeals for financial assistance, which met with a generous response and led the singing of "In Bright Mansions Mansions Above" as only the stalwart Hamptonian can sing these songs of the heart. At the Union Baptist church the pastor, Rev. George H. Simms, presided, and at the Abyssinian Baptist church, owing to the illness of Mrs. Emma S. Ransom, the president of the Y. W. C. A., Rev. R. C. Ransom, conducted the exercises. Choice music was rendered by the New York Female Quartet, and a concise statement of the plans of the Y. W. C. A., with reference to a new building, was made by Miss Emma Cabaniss, who has charge of the home. At the Concord Baptist church, Major Moten and Rev. W. M. Moss, the pastor, presided jointly. Mention has already been made of the matchless service of the Hon. Marcus M. Marks as chairman of the monster rally at the Palace Casino.

Dr. Washington and Major Moten were entertained at luncheon at the beautiful home of Dr. E. P. Roberts on West Fifty-third street, and others of the party and officers of the League were entertained at the Libya Cafe on 131st street. An elaborate dinner was served in the evening by Dr. and Mrs. Roberts, while another group accepted hospitality of Dr. A. S. Reid, of West Fifty-second street.

Officers of the Urban League.

The officers of the National League on Urban Conditions express themselves with the brilliant dash through Greater New York and declare that the impetus given the movement by his stirring talks of Dr. Washington will place the organization in the van as a promoter of social service for the Negro and make its name a household word. Its influence will be increased four-fold and results will be magnified in proportion. The high-purposed officers of the League are: Mrs. William H. Baldwin, Jr., chairman; Kelly Miller and Major R. R. Moten, vice-chairmen; L. Hollingsworth Wood, secretary; A. S. Frissell, treasurer; Victor H. McCutcheon, assistant treasurer; George E. Haynes, director; E. K. Jones, associate director. The executive board includes such well known men and women of affairs as Felix Adler, Roger N. Baldwin, Miss S. P. Breckenridge, W. L. Bulkeley, W. H. Brooks, W. Franklin Brush, Paul D. Cravath, James H. Dillard, John T. Emlen, Charles D. Hilles, John Haynes Holmes, Mrs. E. B. Leaf, Abraham Lefkowitz, Edward Ewing Pratt, Mrs. A. S. Reed, E. P. Roberts, Paul J. Sachs, Edwin R. A. Seligman, Miss Elizabeth Walton, William G. Willcox, and Booker T. Washington. The local headquarters are at 2303 Seventh avenue. A branch office in Brooklyn is in charge of Mr. Paul Mowbray.

Postscripts.

The citizens' committee rendered timely and effective service.

A light rain fell the greater part of the day, but it did not keep anybody away.

More than 10,000 persons heard Dr. Washington during the whirlwind dash of the day.

A charming soprano solo was rendered at the Abyssinian church by Miss Mabel Diggs.

The principal speaker and Major Moton told some bright, new stories that hit the mark.

The audienee, without exception, was made up of good looking and well dressed people.

The absence of Mr. W. H. Baldwin, Jr., on account of illness, was deeply regretted by all.

The National League on Urban Conditions is known to thousands who had not known of it heretofore.

Dr. Washington and Major Moton referred enthusiastically to their recent tour of the state of Louisiana.

Dr. A. S. Reed's dinner guests were E. K. Jones, L. H. Wood, W. H. Baldwin, III, T. Arnold Hill and Lyman Beecher Stowe.

Major Moton said he has never heard better music than was furnished by the choirs at the Union and Concord Baptist churches.

Rev. A. Clayton Powell made it pleasant for everybody at the Abyssinian Baptist church. He was a former classmate of Dr. Washington.

The lunchton party at the Libya Cafe embraced Lyman Beecher Stowe, L. Hollingsworth Wood, E. K. Jones, John T. Clarke and R. W. Thompson.

The high-powered motor cars in which the party made the tour of Greater New York were donated by Mrs. Frederick C. Lee and Miss Mary E. Drier.

The Urban League is now a truly "national" organization. It has aroused an interest in the social uplift of the Negro that is being felt from ocean to ocean.

Messrs. Baldwin and Stowe were the cynosure of all eyes, both because of their own intrinsic worth as men and citizens and because of their distinguished ancestry.

In prosecuting its work during the last year in Greater New York alone, the League expended $19,889. In four years the League has expended $57,020.86. All of the paid workers are colored.

Dr. and Mrs. E. P. Roberts entertained at dinner Sunday evening Dr. Booker T. Washington, Major R. R. Moton, Dr. C. H. Roberts, Fred R. Moore, E. Davidson Washington and R. W. Thompson. Mrs. Roberts is a delightful hostess.

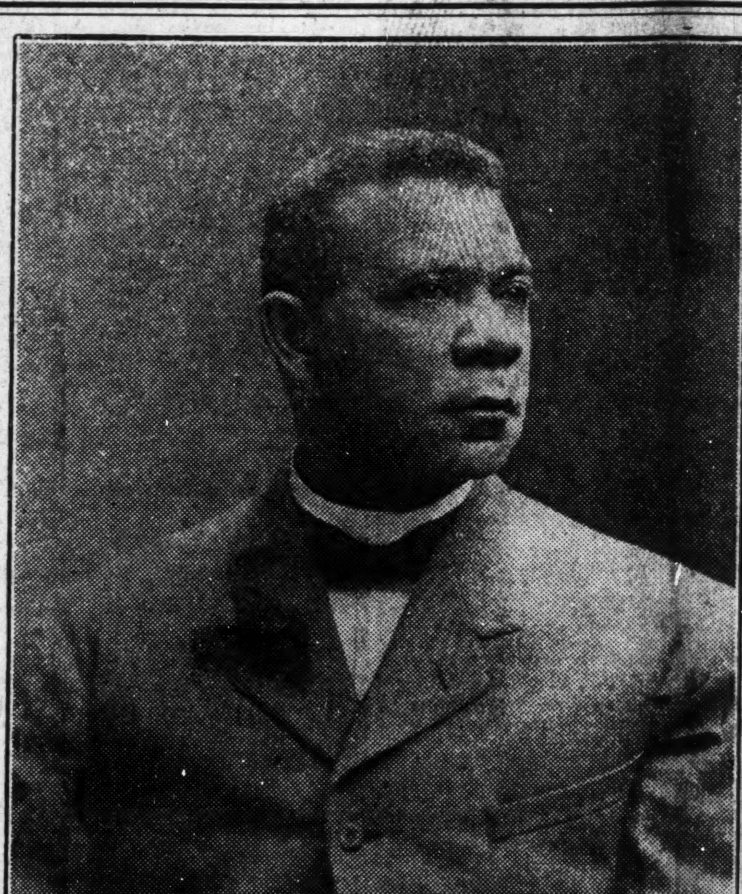
Mrs. Rosalie W. Jonas, poet, writer, and social worker in the San Juan district, was an interesting visitor at the Union Baptist meeting. Former Collector of Internal Revenue Charles W. Anderson was a conspicuous figure at the Palace Casino.

A working agreement has been reached between the Urban League and the N. A. A. C. P. by which the former will specialize on social problems—housing, employment, health, industries, etc.—while the latter will handle political questions and protective litigation in the courts.

Borough President Marks reached the Palace throng when he remarked that as a member of an oppressed race he felt an especial sympathy for all other races similarly discriminated against. He is a Jew of the broadest humanitarianism and deserves the high office to which he has been called.

The Tuskegee educator paid a neat tribute at the Brooklyn meeting to the leaders of the "City Across the Bridge," Fred R. Moore, N. B. Dodson and F. H. Gilbert, and referred touchingly to the memory of Mrs. Anna Fisher, who made a generous bequest for Tuskegee, Hampton and other worthy causes.

The Social Settlement Chorus made a fine impression at the Palace Casino, under the leadership of J. Rosamond Johnson. The rendition of Mr. Johnson's own composition, "Southland," was especially well received. It told in song the weird story of struggle, the sympathetic note of peace after the storm and the note of triumph as the victory was won. The chorus numbered one hundred voices and the orchestra had fifty pieces. It is a grand organization.



DR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON

HOPKINSVILLE, KY.

(By M. G. Tate.)

The Good Samaritan Lodge had their annual sermon delivered by Rev. J. C. Anderson at Lane's Tabernacle, Sunday afternoon. -- Rev. G. A. Hubbard, Campbell street, is yet very ill. -- Mrs. Hattie West of St. Louis, Mo., is visiting her father, Mr. Brewer, of Hayes street. -- Rev. M. S. Warfield of Kansas City, Mo., preached Sunday morning at Freeman Chapel to a well-filled house. Rev. Warfield is a former pastor of the above named church. A very high regard is still felt for him by the members and friends as was evidenced by their attendance and their financial offering to him. -- There will be an Old Folks' concert at Lane's Tabernacle, May 28. It will surpass the one given some time ago, it is said, in humerous selections. -- Mrs. Mary King is visiting her sister in Madisonville, Mrs. Allie Lunsford. -- Mr. Will Lander Howard spent Sunday out of the city. -- Mr. and Mrs. West Garnett spent Sunday in Pembroke. -- Mr. Robinson of the Mount Zion country, was the guest of Mrs. Lizzie Tate, Friday. -- Mrs. Willie Harton of First street, remains very ill. -- Mr. Farliegh Bradshaw is convalescent.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

(By Z. L. Breedlove.)

The Paris Ventriloquist and his family band will give a concert at Salem Baptist church Saturday evening, May 22, under the auspices of the Church Aid Club. They never fail to please an audience, as their repertoire contains many old time favorites. as well as real novelties. Every one, young and old, should not fail to attend this concert, especially those who are lovers of music.

The Freeman, Chicago Defender and the Crisis, on sale at Breedlove's Consolidated News, located at 908 North Champaign street. Have race pride and get one of these journals and read of the progress of your people.

A. M. E. Church—Rev. Jameson chose for his subject Sunday morning, "The Bright Side of Christianity." In the evening the pulpit was filled by Rev. L. L. Moore of Decatur, who preached on "What Think Ye of Christ." At the close of the May Fair Friday evening, Miss Ora Thornhill won first prize in the pillow contest; Miss Edna Wilson won second and Miss Marie Beatty won third prize.

Little Miss Elizabeth Lewis was awarded first prize in a similar contest over Miss Katie Fuller, who got second prize.

There were more colored girls in the May pole dance that was held at the university during the interscholastic than ever before. I hope that the colored students will continue this until the race will be represented in every feature that takes place during the interscholastic.

Mrs. Emily Robinson, Odessa Wright and Miss Anna Wells of Indianapolis were visitors in Champaign during the interscholastic.

Mrs. Alexander and Mrs. Beck of Indianapolis attended the May Fair given at Bethel church May 13 and 14.

Miss Bertha Tate, who has been sick at her rooms in the Tisdale flats, is somewhat improved.

Salem Baptist church—Rev. J. M. Owens preached at Hillsboro on Sunday. In his absence Rev. John Rivers occupied the pulpit in the morning, taking as his subject, "What Shall I Do to Be Saved." In the evening Rev. D. C. Jones preached on "The Way to the Cross."

Mrs. I. B. Thompson was called to Farmers City on the account of her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. C. Blackburn, who is sick.

The C. M. E. church received 2,500 bricks during its brick shower that was held there last week.

URGES SUPPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.

(By B. H. Burnett.)

Columbus, Ohio.

No parties in such a crisis says Governor Willis, of Ohio. He urges the support of President Wilson at this time. While speaking before the colored Spanish war veterans at memorial hall, he said we in this country today face a very serious condition, but I hope that in this very critical time every citizen of Ohio with all the patriotism within him will keep cool, hold his head, reserve his judgment, be calm and stand by President Wilson. Every good citizen continued the governor, will support the president's stand and will do everything in his power to prevent a critical situation from becoming worse through careless talk of war by himself and his friends. Other speakers at the meeting were Capt. Thomas, Capt. Gilbert, Colonel Youmans, Rev. D. A. Clark, W. E. King, Mayor Karb, Judge Dillion.

On Sunday, May 16, the K. of P.'s of Columbus, Ohio, held their annual sermon at Memorial Hall in East Broad street, attended by 2,000 people. The long gay line of march consisting of over 600 K. of P.'s and Boy Scouts formed one solid body of militarism marched by the strains of music furnished by the Ninth Batallion and Citizens bands. The sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. C. E. White, and Dr. Mosby, master of ceremonies. Mr. Caldwell, past grand chancellor of Ohio, made a short talk and gave instructions. He also outlined a few things concerning the coming encampment to be held here in August. All steps will be taken and arrangements made to accommodate and satisfy the thousands of visitors who are expected to take a part in the grand encampment of the K. of P.'s.

Mrs. Herbert Gaston, of 165 St. Clair avenue, is the mother of a fine 9½ pound boy.

A May Fair was given for the benefit of the Christian Spiritualist at the residence of Mrs. Bertha Griggs, 660½ East Long street, Tuesday evening, May 18. The committee were B. Griggs, Mrs. C. Cain and Mrs. Payne. A nice lunch was served.

Mr. Louis Reed, of 427 East Oak street, who has suffered painfully with the dropsy for some time, is reported no better.

Mr. A. W. Williamson, of 805 East Mt. Vernon avenue, who spent a week with relatives and friends in the Elkhorn coal region, has returned to duty.

Mrs. Dollie Dixon, who spent several days in Cumminsville, Ohio, on account of the death of her aunt, Bessie Bryant, is home again. She is being visited by her niece, Mrs. Gracie Cassidy, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. Henrietta Campbell, of Tazewell, Va., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Lizzie Buckner, 632 East Spring street.

The brotherhood of the Eleventh Street M. E. church will give a musical and literary entertainment at the Y. M. C. A., June 3.

Rev. White, pastor of Hawthorne M. E. church, who has been very much indisposed, was able to fill his pulpit Sunday.

Rev. C. W. McAll, of Indianapolis, Ind., preached a wonderful sermon Sunday at Eleventh Street M. E. church. He also gave a lecture at the Y. M. C. A. Monday night to a large crowd.

Mrs. J. A. Knox, of Rosethorn street, is reported very ill.

Mr. Edward Brown has been employed as night manager at the Y. M. C. A.

The new band, of 24 pieces, in East Columbus, known as the Gold Seal band, is doing fine under the management of Hardin and Eckles.

Our home team met their Waterloo and went down like General Custer before the Xenia All Stars Sunday at driving park. Score 11 to 9. Attendance 600. Bowers Eastern used two pitchers, Payne and Henry while Xenia used Lindsey and Simpson.

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Bowers Easterns	9	11	5
Xenia	11	10	0

B. H. Burnett, of Columbus, Ohio, is taking every step and making every effort to boost the Freeman in this city and make it go. It needs the support of every colored man and is unsurpassed in national Negro newspapers. All the sporting news of this city will appear in the Freeman each week.

MARSHALL, TEXAS.

Marshall churches were well attended Sunday. -- Second Pleasant Hill had a rally Sunday and night collection was $18. Rev. J. C. Lanson preached two excellent sermons. -- Bishop College is having her commencement exercises, having some excellent programs. -- Mr. Johnie Hawkins, a young and prosperous looking young man, got drowned Friday morning, May 14, in the T. and P. shop pond. He was single and was taking care of his mother. -- The country people report crops as looking fine and looking for a bumper crop. -- The Marshall Scotch King Braves played Texarkana Sunday. Score, 15 to 6, in favor of the Braves. Jesse Edwards, catcher for the Marshall Braves, is doing some excellent work. -- See James F. Washington for the Freeman. He will deliver to any part of the city. Help race enterprises.

"THE BIRTH OF A NATION" BARRED!

Mayor William Hale Thompson Does Not Approve of Tom Dixon's Play Showing in Chicago.

EIGHTH REGIMENT ANNUAL MAY BALL MAY 24

The Series of Free Recitals Given at the Y. M. C. A., Closed on Thursday Night with One of the Best Programs of the Season—S. Coleridge Taylor Club at Central Music Hall May 28—The "Musical Special" to Milwaukee by the Umbrian Club May 31—J. R. Contee, of Denver, Passes Through City.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

Freeman Bureau, 3000 South State St., Phone, Douglass 8058, Automatic 75-233.

CHICAGO, Ill., May 21.—(Special.)—With "No Jim-Crowism" in the public schools with Ella Flag Young, superintendent, the "Birth of the Nation" barred in an edict of Mayor William Hale Thompson, a race man on the Board of Censors to keep all obnoxious scenes from being shown in this city; patronage soon to be given to men and women of the race who took part in the last campaign, things look fairly bright for the race in the second greatest city in the United States. Even though Mrs. Carter H. Harrison and the ex-mayor's secretary had put their o. k. on the "Birth of the Nation," and powerful money influences were backing the production; this did not keep the new mayor from saying, "No such play shall be shown as long as I am mayor." While many white people who were interested in the production were doing all they possibly could to get the mayor's o. k. and the Rev. Mr. Griffin, founder of Thomas Dixon's story, using his best efforts to stage the play, the Chicago Defender, the N. A. A. C. P. and influential men and women of the race were right at the door of the mayor telling him of the sensational play which was based on race prejudice and should not be shown in the great and growing west. Then too, there was the reverberating influence of Editor Monroe Trotter, who did the manly part in the Grand Old State of Massachusetts in fighting to keep the play out of Boston; all this had much to do with the mayor's decision.

Condemned by Leading Race Men.

Both the novel and the photoplay have been severely condemned by the leading men and women of the race. In no section of the country have they been asleep where such plays have been shown. East and west men and women of character have protested against the showing of the "Clansman" and the "Birth of the Nation." They have been one solid unit. While the author has told mayors and censors boards there was a note of brotherly love in the play, he did not tell of the infusing of "social equality" features which were shown to further create race prejudice.

History One of Strife.

The history of the film has been one of strife, racial bitterness, censorial squabbles and politics ever since it was first shown. The national board of inspectors had a stiring row which ended in the resignation of some of the members of the board. Their conscience could not be made to pass favorably on such a low, degrading picture. The play was recalled in Boston at Tremont theater after much rioting. It went to Los Angeles, Cal., and San Francisco and had similar troubles and Mr. Grijn thought that Chicago was a "sure thing." He had Mrs. Carter H. Harrison's o. k., but low and behold Mr. Harrison went down in the scrap heap of defeat. Then came Mr. William H. Harrison. The play was billed for the Illinois theater for May 1, at $2.00 per seat, but the house is closed and no "Birth of the Nation" is in sight.

Mr. Thompson's Decision.

When Mr. William Hale Thompson walked in the City Hall, instead of installing the "Birth of the Nation," big "Bill" heard complaints of the leading men and women of the race. He was shown editorials of the Chicago Defender. He said he would inspect the play and if there was any thing objectionable he would have it cut out. Other editorials were written and others called upon him. Later his answer was to the film people: "There will be no 'Birth of the Nation' shown as long as I am mayor." In this is shown the character and the strength of the new mayor. The race has much to feel proud of such a man in the mayoralty chair. Every newspaper in the country, it is hoped, will comment upon the mayor's attitude in a way to get others in authority to see the light as Mayor William H. Thompson. Now "All is quiet on the Patomac."

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Rev. T. A. Smythe Visits Bethel.

Rev. T. A. Smythe, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church, who has been very ill for the past five or six weeks, was able to go to church on last Sunday. He was brought to church in an auto by the officers of the church. He made a talk, but was too feeble to continue. His physician, Dr. Midian Bousfield, urged that he leave the auditorium and so doing, waved his handkerchief. It was a most spectacular scene and many handkerchiefs were seen wiping away tears. It is to be hoped that Rev. Mr. Smythe, who has done so much for this church, will again be able to be at the post he loves so well. He is still under the care of Dr. Bousfield.

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Annual Eighth Regiment Ball, May 24.

The annual May ball of the Eighth Regiment, Illinois National Guard, will be Monday evening, May 24, at the new Eighth Regiment Armory, 35th and Forest avenue. For years the Eighth Regiment has been having balls in May and this year it is carrying out custom, established years ago. Every May the ball is attended by the leading women of Chicago and its surburbs who have special gowns made for the occasion. All the women's clubs of the city have been invited to attend. "Bill" Berry and his Eighth Regiment band will furnish music for the occasion. For this especial occasion the floor, which is the largest on the South Side, has been waxed and the dancers will enjoy themselves to a high degree. Col. F. A. Denison, commanding, states that the ball will last until 2 a. m. Every convenience has been made for the checking of wraps and punch will be served after each dance. The grand march will be led by Col. F. A. Denison, followed by the field and staff officers. Major Otis Duncan of Springfield, Ill., of the Second Battallion will attend the ball and a number of other officers. Adj. Gen. Dickson of the state of Illinois and his staff will be present. A number of other military men and their friends will be present. There will be Congressman Martin B. Madden, Mayor William Hale Thompson, Senator Samuel Ettleson, Representative R. R. Jackson and S. B. Turner, Alderman Oscar De Priest, Corporation Counsel Folsom, Hon. Edward H. Wright, Hon. George W. Ellis, Editor R. S. Abbott, Editor Julius F. Taylor, Editor W. H. Rhea A. N. Fields and the entire "press gang" of the city. Don't forget the date, Monday, May 24.

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At Their Summer Home.

Mrs. Franklin A. Denison and children have gone to their summer home at Benton Harbor, Mich., and will remain until the middle of September.

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Y. M. C. A. Recitals Close.

The series of free recitals which were inaugurated by Cary B. Lewis in January, came to a close for the summer on Thursday night of last week. One of the best programs of the season was rendered. Mr. Alexander Jackson, the new executive secretary, was introduced to the audience which numbered 515. He made a telling speech in which he told of the association and the influence for good it was having upon the men of the city and country. Mr. J. Berni Barber opened the program with his own interpretations of "Tannhauser." His playing was grand and he received many encores. Mr. Barber is one of the best known musical composers in this section of the country. Miss Florence Spencer, the harpist, rendered two numbers and was encouraged in her efforts as a beginner. Mr. Jackson, a young baritone singer, received applause for his rendition of a special number for the occasion. Miss Majorie Gaskill played a beautiful piano solo and was highly received. The attraction of the evening was Mrs. Florence Cole Talbert, a coloratura soprano singer of no mean ability. She was accompanied by Mr. M. Pierre de Caillaux. She has met with tremendous success with her marvelous voice and wonderful singing with the Hann Jubilee Company. On this evening she was at her best. She wore a handsome gown. Her voice was clear as a bell and each note was made with perfect ease while her stage presence was charming. She received three encores. The other big number was the singing of Mr. W. H. Hann, the phenominal basso profundo. He has a remarkable bass voice which he uses with great skill. He is one of the most pleasing bass singers of the race. The recital closed amid a blaze of glory. During the summer season Mr. Lewis will give a midsummer recital at Odgen Park in the recital hall under the auspices of the Wabash Avenue Association. Those who have attended these recitals claim "they have been the biggest musical and social events of this great and growing city."

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Carl Diton, May 28, at Central Music Hall.

The last grand musicale of the season will be that of the S. Coleridge Taylor Club, May 28, at Central Music Hall, 64-66 VanBuren street, at which time Mr. Carl Diton will be the principal artist. Mr. Diton won first prize in a national competition open to the negroes of America, 1914. Edward Bach, royal professor of the Royal Academy of Music, Munich, Germany, has the following to say about Mr. Diton's work: "I am very glad to recommend Mr. Carl R. Diton most warmly for concerts. He is a highly talented pianist whose technique is brilliant and whose feeling for form is very strongly developed." Anton Von Beer-Walbrum, composer of Munich, Germany, says: "Mr. Carl R. Diton is an excellent pianist and can be highly recommended to perform any where." The club will also be assisted by Mme. Willa M. Sloan, one of Chicago's sweetest saprano singers. Says Mr. Glen Dillard Gun of the Chicago Tribune: "Mrs. Willa M. Sloan's voice, a warm and brilliant soprano, possesses rare beauty of quality." Mr. Felix Berosky, of the Chicago Record, says: "Very sweet and pleasant to the ear." Pedro T. Tinsley says: "A most interesting soprano voice, remarkably sweet and sympathetic, a class of songs used by her are ideally portrayed with symplicity and truthfulness." A Ray Carpenter has the following to say: "A very interesting singer with refined style, earnest in purpose and has a voice of exceptional beauty and range." The club will also be assisted by the Evanston Choral Society and Miss Nannie Strayhorn, Miss Mattie B. Miller and Mr. Walter E. Gossett, accompanists. Mr. H. T. Jackson, of the city's best basso profundo's, will conduct the chorus.

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Special to Milwaukee, Wis.

The Umbrians Musical Special is the first and only outing of the kind ever given by an organization in Chicago. Intense interest is being shown and reservations are being secured from Mr. Charles Pierce at the Y. M. C. A. to make the trip Decoration day, May 31, to Milwaukee, Wis., where the Umbrians will sing at the monster coliseum. Mr. R. S. Abbott, editor of the Defender, has been invited to go on the "special" and will be the special guest of the club. The train will leave Evanston at 1:30 p. m. Monday, May 31. They will give a grand concert that night, assisted by Madame Anita Patti Brown, William A. Hann, basso; W. E. Gossett, organist, and Theo

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(By Cleveland G. Allen.)

NEW YORK, May 10.—The Forty-second Annual Session of the New Jersey Conference of the A. M. E. Zion Church, of which Bishop G. W. Clinton is the presiding officer, and which held its session in Somerville, N. J., at the St. Thomas A. M. E. Zion church, of which Rev. W. D. Robeson is pastor, was one of the most notable sessions in the history of that body. The conference met the week of April 28 and ended its session Sunday evening, May 2, when the annual appointments were read.

It was a record making conference, and before the conference adjourned it went down on record as opposing discrimination, segregation, lynching and all other injustice to which the Negro suffers in this country. The conference advocated a saloonless nation for 1920, passed a resolution favoring woman suffrage for the state of New Jersey, favored a plan that would assist the worn-out ministers of the connection, urged the connection to use its own hymn books and literature and discussed every vital mater of interest to the conference and church. The conference sustained its reputation for being one of the most business-like conferences of the connection, and established a record by closing its session a day earlier than usual. Bishop Clinton, the dignified and well-trained churchman, presided over the destinies of the conference with impartiality and the great Zion churchman was never seen in a more optimistic frame of mind. He was assisted by Bishop J. C. Cladwell, of Philadelphia. Together with these two bishops several of the general officers of the church were present. They were Drs. J. C. Dancy, of the church extension society; L. W. Kylese, editor of the Quarterly Review; G. C. Clemett, editor of the Star of Zion, and Mrs. Marie Clinton, who represented Dr. J. S. Jackson, of the finacial department. Among the prominent men of the church present from other conferences were: Revs. S. L. Cororthers, of Philadelphia; P. A. Wallace, of Philadelphia; W. L. Lee, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; H. J. Callis, of Chicago; Prof. W. O. Carrington, of Livingstone Collefe, and J. H. Anderson, presiding elder of the Philadelphia and Baltimore conferences. The members of the St. Thomas' church made ample preparation for the comfort of the visiting ministers and delegates. The friendly spirit on the part of the white citizens of the town was seen in the cordial manner in which they exhibited to the conference. The conference opened Wednesday morning with the annual love feast and communion. In the evening the conference was formally welcomed to the city by the representatives of the city government and of the local church. Rev. C. C. Sylvester brought greetings for the mayor of the city, Rev. Roy Vale of the South Reform church spoke on behalf of the white ministers of the city. Those who represented the various departments of the church were Mrs. Hall, Paul Robesch, Miss Inez Rogers, Miss Esther Auten. Dr. J. C. Dancy responded to the addresses. The principal feature of the second day's session was the collection of claims and the introduction of visitors. A telegram of regret was read from Dr. J. W. Wood, of the Missionary department. Rev. C. C. Gumbs transferred from the New England conference was presented. In the afternon the report of the lay delegates was made. The report of the delegates were very encouraging and told of the good condition of the churches in the district. This was followed by the report of the presiding elder, Rev. W. H. Coffee. Dr. Coffee in his report urged the pastors to develop strong homes as homes were the background of everything. He made a plea for better prepared Sunday school teachers, and urged the ministers to use for their service and Sunday schools their own hymn books and literature. Speaking of the spiritual and financial growth of the district he said that over 500 members had been added to the district, 361 converts, and that $49,842.00 had been raised. He praised the pastor of the Patterson church, Rev. C. C. Williams, who during the year had added 78 to his church and laid plans for the erection of a $35,000 church. The report of the presiding elder was discussed by Dr. G. C. Clemett of the publishing house at Charlotte, N. C., who said he was glad to hear the presiding elder urge the pastors to use their own hymn books and literature. He said the publication house of the connection was the best equipped of any publishing house of the race. In the evening Bishop Clinton delivered his episcopal address. The address was one of the most notable ever heard before the conference. Bishop Clinton made a review of the year's work and said that three churches had been built during the year. He told the pastors to avoid entanglements of all kinds. He made recommendation for worn out ministers and said there ought to be a fund for this purpose. The bishop scored the liquor traffic and made a plea for a saloonless nation for 1920. He called attention to the importance of the revival movement for 50,000 souls which the board of bishops urged at their last meeting. Speaking against discrimination he said: "We believe it to be the duty of the country to provide for our security. We are men and citizens. Manhood and merit should be the standard test by which our standard is to be judged. We should have the unhampered opportunity to work out our destinies. All citizens should be treated alike."

He denounced in strong terms all forms of Jim-Crowism and discrimination. The session on Friday began with a sermon by Rev. H. J. Callis of Chicago. In the afternoon and evening the day was given over to the work of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of which Rev. Mrs. Florence Randolph is president. The first session was held in the village school at Somerville. The report of the missionary workers were very encouraging. Fine progress was reported both at home and abroad. Among the things discussed was the advisibility of sending a box of provision to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Peters, who are now laboring in Quita, Africa, as missionaries.

Mrs. Randolph in making her report said she had preached over 172 sermons, delivered over 80 addresses on temperance, visited 23 towns and cities, organized over 16 temperance clubs and secured the signatures of 748 women of the race throughout the state of New Jersey who signed the pledge for temperance. Mrs. Marie Clinton, superintendent of the Buds of Promise, made encouraging reports. The principle feature for Saturday's session was the passing of characters. The crowning feature was reached on Sunday. A large number of visitors from adjoining cities were present. The church was crowded to overflow Sunday morning when the conference began its morning session. Dr. G. C. Clement preached.

In the afternoon, to accommodate the large gathering, the session was held in the court house. Bishop Clinton presided. Rev. C. C. Williams offered prayer. Dr. L .W. Kyles, editor of the Quarterly Review, preached. In the evening the session was held in the church.

Prof. W. O. Carrington preached the closing sermon. It was a notable conference and despite the financial pressure of the year the men of the New Jersey conference to the man raised all of their conference claims and assessments. The financial reports were remarkable and set a good pace for the other conference.

The general officers present told of the good condition of the connection financially and otherwise. It was brought out that Zion had the largest publication house, published the ablest of all Negro journal, the Quarterly Review, and was never in a more substantial condition than at the present. The close of the conference marked the end of the fourth year of Bishop Clinton's reign over the conference and a resolution was passed favoring his return. The New Jersey conference is one of the strongest in the connection. It is made up of a group of self-sacrificing men who are devoted to the cause of their church and race. Among the things that will make for the future success of the conference was the large number of well trained young men who were taken in the conference. Among these were Revs. B. C. Robeson and Mr. Chisholm. Some of the able men of the New Jersey conference are Revs. W. M. Langford, J. R. White, W. L. Rhodes, J. E. Rodgers, C. C. Williams. The delegates to the general conference elected were: Revs. W. M. Langford, W. H. Batchelor, C. C. Williams; alternates: Revs. J. R. White, J. J. Adams and J. E. Rodgers. The lay delegates elected were Mrs. B. F. Wheeler and Moser Bonner; alternates, J. Blackman and J. C. Taylor. The fraternal delegates to the various conferences were T. L. Williams, North Carolina conference; C. C. Ringgold, New England conference; J. E. Rodgers, Philadelphia and Baltimore conference; W. H. Bathelor, Albermarle conferance; W. H. Davenport, W. N. C. conference, and C. C. Williams, New York conference. When the conference closed its forty-second session there passed into history one of the most record-making sessions in its history.

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Big Appropriation for Wilberforce.

Wilberforce University, one of the largest universities for the education of young colored men and women, is making great progress under the presidency of Dr. W. S. Scarborough, one of the most noted scholars of the race. The splendid success that Dr. Scarborough is meeting in his administration is the substantial support that he is getting from the State of Ohio through appropriations. The appropriation from the State this year was $133,960.03, and for next year it is $134,088.93. The combined appropriation for the support of the school will amount to $267,000.00. The splendid success that has come to Wilberforce will be received throughout the country with much joy by the large number of friends and alumini of the institution. Wilberforce has long been the pride of the race especially the members of the A. M. E. church. Besides the meeting of the current expenses this appropriation will be used to erect several new buildings, among them being a gymnasium, recitation building, hospital and industrial shop. The college will erect next year, a new Science building valued at $30,000. These new additions will make Wilberforce the peer of Negro institutions throughout the country, with the exception of Tuskeegee and Hampton. President Scarborough is a devoted educator and is enthusiastic over the success of Wilberforce. He is one of the most noted educators in the race and is a noted figure in the educational life of this nation. The splendid success that has come to this institution is due largely to the energy that is being exhibited by Dr. Scarborough.

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Nine Colored Men Will Graduate From Yale.

Information reached this bureau direct from New Haven that nine colored men will graduate from the various departments of Yale University this commencement. This will be the largest number of colored men to come out of this institution, and is very encouraging.

SHERIDAN, WYO.

Nature smiled and a real mothers' Sunday was given to the world which seemed to inspire humanity for divine worship. At each of the two services held at Mount Olivet A. M. E. church were good crowds. At 11 a. m., P. E., A. M. Ward, preached the opening sermon, "Remember Mother," John 19:26-27 verses. In his discourse many beautiful tributes were paid to the mothers. The church was beautifully decorated with palms and cut flowers. Mrs. Lizzie Richards in charge of the following: At 3:30 p. m. the following program was rendered: Opening song, by the choir, "Ninety and Nine;" prayer, Rev. Maguinez; song, by choir, "Trust and Obey;" recitation, by Mrs. J. Shute, "My Mother;" solo, by T. H .Newson, "My Mother's Prayer;" the soloist rendered two numbers that easily demonstrated his superior training as an artist; an address, Mrs. M. May, "Mother the Character Builder of the Child;" song, by the choir, "O Where Is My Wandering Boy;" paper, "How Can We Help Mother," by Hazel Wigington; recitation, Theresa Askew; solo, "Meet Your Mother in the Skies," Rev. Maguinez; address, "Christ Call to the Mothers of Today," Mrs. Ivy Campbell; solo, "Mother," by Miss Geraldine Wilson; her voice was sweet and clear and articulation perfect. A great future lies before her as a singer. Miss Annie Campbell played an instrumental solo that was highly appreciated by all.

PENSOCALO, FLA.

(By Walker W. Thomas.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Young Men's Cruising club organized last week with Alfred E. Gillins, president; Lawrence McVoy, vice-president; Edward Thompson, secretary; Otis Edward, assistant secretary, and Walker W. Thomas, chairman. This club organized for the purpose of giving private moonlight outings this summer, of which they will give their first outing June 25, on the steamer Louis Doline to Santa Rosa Island.

The Evening Dress Social club is to give the first affair this season at Morro de Castle Park. Cards are being issued by Mr. Willis Claiborn and Mr. Joseph Lattermore, the managers. This being the first outing for the members of the younger set, it is predicted that a large number will attend. The Collins orchestra has been engaged to furnish the dance music.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Royaster announce the engagement of their daughter Josie Horton, to Mr. Perry McLemore. The marriage to take place the latter part of June. Both parties are prominent young people of this city.

The commencement of the Pensacola high school No. 3 will be held at the opera house on the night of May 31st. The commencement address will be delivered by Mr. C. V. Roman, Nashville, Tenn. The graduating class is Misses Tessie Smith, Malvine Edwards, Mr. Wilbur Sheppard and Mr. Eddie McMillian.

Dr. C. M. White, supreme commander of the American Woodmen, with headquarters in Denver, Col., was in the city last week on business.

The marriage of Miss Noretta Johnson and Rev. A. McNeal was solemnized at the beautiful home of the bride on last Wednesday night at 8:30. The bride was given away by her elder brother, Mr. Harrison Johnson. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Ahrens. Her attendants were Miss Cora Lee Thomas and Mr. George Johnson, a brother of the bride. The home was lovely decorated with green vines and many pot plants. They received many useful presents from their many friends, who wish for them a long and happy wedded life.

The many friends of Walker M. Thomas are glad to know that he will again represent the Freeman in the city and report all news of interest.

The popular members of the Summer League Pleasure club at a recent meeting elected their new officers for the summer months. They are: Leon Leonard Colbert, president; Andrew W. Preer, Jr., vice-president; Walker W. Thomes, secretary; Homer Banks, assistant secretary; Warren E. Gomery, treasurer. This club will give a Middie Blouse and Shirt Waist dance June 11, at Morro de Castle Park. This affair is planned to be a brilliant social event.

NEW YORK CITY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Charles Henry Redmond, affectionately known as Chick, a well known auto dealer of 146 West 139th street, departed this life at his residence, Saturday, May 1st, at 9 a. m. Mr. Redmond had been a sufferer of heart discase for a number of years and he was unfortunately taken away by this ailment. Mr. Redmond leaves his widow, Mrs. Ivy Redmond, and cousin, Mrs. Lena Fontaine to mourn his loss. His many friends showed their appreciation of his many sterling qualities by their constant attendance and invaluable aid to his widow in this hour of need. Mr. Redmond was born in Columbus, Ohio, in 1870. The interment was at St. Michaels. Rev. Arnett in attendance.

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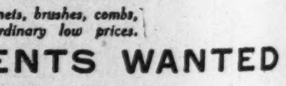

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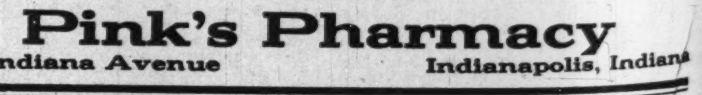

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Did you ever praise little things she does?
Did you ever come home from the daily buzz
To take her hand and to pinch her cheeks,
And tell her the love that she seeks and seeks?

Did you ever care when she changed the way
She'd been wearing her hair for many a day?
Did you ever notice the pains she took
To fix herself so she'd always look
Pleasing and sweet to you when you came?
Did you ever whisper her gentle name
In sweetness just as you used to do
In the years way back when your love was new?

Did you ever tell her she looked so fine?
Did you ever whisper, "I'm glad you're mine!"
Did you ever try to follow her whim,
And fathom her fancy, and through the dim
Drift and dream of the rolling years
Sweeten her sorrow and heal her tears,
And pet and comfort her heart each day—
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Miss J. C. Turner is head nurse at the Jacksonville (Ill.) Sanitarium.

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Miss Jennie Lawrence is superintendent of the Phyllis Wheatley Home, Chicago, Ill.

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Miss Ella C. Preston is superintendent of Lincoln Hospital, Indianapolis, Indiana.

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Mrs. Charles Banks is president of the Mississippi Federation of Colored Women's Clubs.

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Mrs. John H. Dent runs an up-to-date undertaking and embalming business in Augusta, Ga.

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Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune is principal of the Girls' Educational School of Datonia, Fla.

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Miss Blanche Jones is stenographer for the Willis Undertaking Establishment, Galveston, Texas.

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Mrs. Lula Brown conducts a cleaning and dyeing business at Chicago, Ill., and has great success.

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Dr. Mattie E. Coleman is president of the Parent-Teacher Association of Napier School, Nashville, Tenn.

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Uncle Ephriam says: "Say what yer will 'bout de devil, he's allus up en at his post, ready ter wait on customers."

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The Negro Organization Society of Virginia awarded several prizes in gold to colored women of Elizabeth City county, Virginia, whose homes showed the greatest progress along the line of clean-up.

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Mrs. Hattie L. Matlock, Cleveland, Ohio, has won five cash prizes offered by daily papers of that city. Her essays were on economic and household hints. Mrs. Matlock also won the third prize at the Cleveland Flower and Garden Show.

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A Washington firm is getting rich through a mother's sentiment for her baby's first shoes. They have a new process by which the shoes can be preserved for life by covering them with a hard metal coating so time can not injure them.

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Miss Ada B. Johnson won a Ford five-passenger touring car, and Miss Mae Allen Pender won a piano in the circulation campaign offered by the Galveston New Idea.

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Thomas Dixon's "Clansman" has been removed from the shelves of the library at Bemidji, Minn. The credit for this laudable act is due Mrs. Charles W. Scrutchin, who used her influence with the library board, which is composed entirely of white women.

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The Norfolk Bureau of Social Service will award two prizes for the best kept colored homes and premises. The judges will base their decision upon the condition of the front and back yards, fences, outhouses and general premises, including the interior of the home.

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This bit of philosophy was clipped from R. W. Thompson's news letter: The "new" wife is no longer a serf and dependent. She is entitled to the career for which she has prepared herself through great sacrifice, and she should not be denied the opportunities she has a right to seek. She can be a successful housekeeper, teacher, preacher, doctor, lawyer, or what not, just as she elects, or as her talents permit her to be. The wife is the natural partner of her husband, not his meek and submissive vassal.

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I beg to acknowledge a marked copy of a Columbus, Ohio, paper, commenting on the film picture, "The Nigger." The story of the picture deals with a man who has worked his way to the highest honor in the gift of the state, the governorship. He is fighting the liquor traffic, and one of the first bills that comes to him for his signature is one wiping liquor from the state. In the course of the fight the record of his life is searched and it is discovered that he has Negro blood in his veins. His enemies tell him what they have found out, and knowing he is engaged to one of the leading daughters of the town, threaten to expose him unless he refuses to make the ordinance a law. But, to make a long story short, he signs the ordinance wiping out the liquor traffic and then goes to his affianced bride and tells her of his Negro blood and releases her from her promise. She begs him to let their relation remain as it is, but this he refuses to do. And right here in the picture the scene of a lynching is shown, presumably to indicate that the crime of lynching is the barrier to their marriage. With this possible exception, I can honestly see no evil in the picture, but more reason why the whites would object when one of their women begs a man known to have Negro blood in his veins to marry her and HE REFUSES.

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Don't Be a Knocker.

Under the caption of "Bouquets and Brickbats," Samuel H. Simpson has this to say of Mme. Sisseretta Jones: "Madam Sisseretta Jones, known the world over as 'Black Patti,' has gotten religion and joined the church and gone to work for Jesus. She has done the right thing. However, it is a little sad to think Patti wasted all of her young, youthful, inspiring life working for the devil; then when stranded, at a dying age, broken down, with all the sweetness gone from her voice, and rejected by the theatrical world, she turns to the Lowly Jesus for salvation." The author is confused in the terms religion and Christianity, for Black Patti may never have "got religion," and yet have had more real Christianity to the square inch than hundreds and thousands of those who prate of their religion. To those who know Black Patti, the woman, she is known to be square as a die, sympathetic to a degree, generous to a fault, honest as the day is long. Instead of being broken down and the sweetness gone from her voice, the best critics have marveled at the sustained sweetness of her notes and her magnificent physical charm. As to her being stranded, if she had nothing but her diamonds, a fortune in themselves, she would be a long, long way from stranded. Just a word of advice: Don't go out of your way to knock a woman who has never done anything to you, and one who has led a clean public life and treated everybody right she has had any dealings with.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

(By Nellie Early, 719 N. Cox St.)

The C. W. B. M. met May 16, with Mrs. Mary Richard, on Allen avenue, with an excellent program which was as follows: Prayer and song service; bible reading, Mrs. A. Dabney; recitation, "Give to the World the Best You Have," Miss Nellie Early; recitation, "The Laws of Duty," Little Avelee Wells; roll call, answering by telling of some reading lately read; scripture readings, Mesdames W. Richard, Nora Wells, Leta Mounts, Emma Florence, Miss Nellie Early, Luke 2d chapter 1-7 verses; closing song, "God Be With Us, Shall We Meet Again." Pianist, Mrs. Leta Mounts. The next meeting will be with Miss Nellie Early, 719 North Cox street, at 4 o'clock the first Thursday in June. President, Mrs. Alice Dabney; secretary, Mrs. Emma Florence.

The two Odd Fellow and two Household of Ruth lodges held their annual sermons May 9, at Mt. Emery Baptist church. It was largely attended. A neat collection was taken up. Rev. Scruggs officiated.

Mahawtha Stewart, principal of music at New Orleans, La., university, has a neat picture in the Easter number of the "Crisis." It is a fine drawing and he will return back for the second term. Mr. Stewart is making good. We are very proud of him.

Little Bessie May Black, of North Cox street, had the misfortune to cut her head severely.

The daughter of Mr. James Mack died recently in Seattle, Wash. Mr. Carl Mack received the word.

The Needlecraft club met May 7, with Mrs. Marshall Williams, on South Ebey street, with a pleasant meeting.

An excellent birthday party was given April 29, in honor of Mrs. Henry Smith, at her beautiful home on North Sandy street. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Postley, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wilburn and daughter Maud, Mrs. Lucinda Wright, Mesdames K. Vires and S. Corbin, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Carter, Mr. and Mrs. George Wyatt, Mrs. Annie Collins, Rev. Dewitt and Mrs. Dewitt, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. James McDaniel, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Freeman, Mrs. Julia Curry and Mr. and Mrs. James Young, Mrs. Laura Lafayette, Mr. and Mrs. David Douglas and Mr. John Starks. Mrs. Smith received many nice presents, among them were several excellent presents from her sister, Mrs. Ada Ryan, at Denver, Col. Excellent refreshments were served.

Word was received here by Mrs. Henry Smith of her sister, Mrs. Ada Ryan's husband's illness at Denver, Col.

Mr. Samuel Rhodes visited relatives and friends in St. Louis, Mo., also was there on account of his niece's illness. He himself is able to be at work again after a serious illness.

Mrs. John McCree, of West Anna street, will give a grand May fete, May 20, at Mt. Emery Baptist church.

Miss Nellie Early was royally entertained at supper at Mrs. J. Stewart's, on May 9.

The Primrose club met recently with Mr. Leon Smith.

Born recently to Mr. and Mrs. Wint, at Quincy, Ill., a fine son, second child. Lois Wint was formerly Miss Lois Clay of this city.

Rev. McDowell, of Hannibal, Mo., was a business visitor in our city recently.

Mesdames Mack Johnson and Nellie Kuechler are still very ill.

Mrs. C. H. Freeman is able to be about after a serious illness, also Mrs. H. Guthrie. Dr. Kinniebrew and Mrs. Bell Parish are improving.

Mrs. Cinda Wright, of North Sandy street, left recently for a visit in Bowling Green, Mo.

The Universal club met May 6, at Mt. Emery Baptist church. A delicious lunch was served. The Universal club will give a Fish Fry, May 27.

The Allen's Improvement club met May 6, at the A. M. E. church.

Carl Spencer, one of the bright high school students, was awarded the gold and silver medals of Griggsville, Ill., and a silver and bronze medal at Jacksonville, Ill., and a beautiful silver cup a big trophy. He is very proud of all articles. All wish him success at all times.

PORTS MOUTH, O.

Mrs. Wm. Price is some better after being ill for the past two weeks.

Mrs. E. Dabney, of Thirteenth street, has been very ill for some time and is no better.

Mrs. Geo. Anderson is ill at her home on Kinney street.

Uncle Joe Bell, one of the oldest citizens of the city, is ill.

The A. M. E. Sewing Circle met at the home of Mrs. A. Ferguson on Fifteenth street. All members were present and after business, a two course luncheon was servd by the hostess.

Mr. C. A. Reynolds has accepted a position at the Conute barber shop, which is one of the finest in the city. His many friends are gladly welcoming his return to the city.

Miss Lulu Stinson, formerly of Hittsville, N. C., came to this city about three years ago. She conducted a boarding house on Eleventh street, where she made many friends and who were very sorry to learn of her death last Thursday, May 6th. Rev. Chapman conducted the services from the house.

Mr. John Nickles is some better after receiving Dr. Brodnac treatment. He was in a very bad condition.

Mothers' Day was highly celebrated at the A. M. E. church last Sunday. A very fine sermon was delivered in the morning by Rev. J. Irvin. Mrs. F. Mason sang an appropriate solo.

In the afternon the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, Ogden Pride No. 3635, celebrated Mothers' Day with thanksgiving services. Members of the lodge met at the home of Mrs. Emma White on Fifteenth street, from where they marched accompanied by the R. L. C. Band to the Seventh Street church. Rev. G. Metcalf had charge of exercises. G. Starks sang a solo; Mrs. E. White read an interesting paper, after which J. Evans gave a very good heart to heart talk on the order, after which a sermon was delivered by Rev. J. Irvin.

The Mothers' Day program was continued at the evening services and Sunday was a great day in Allen Chapel. Mrs. Belle Pennman and Mrs. L. E. White also read papers. Seymore Payne, Garrett Starks and Arthur Hamilton sang solos. Mrs. Franklin Mason sang a solo and was joined by the choir. Mrs. Mary Sloan gave a talk on "Christ's Call to the Mothers of Today." Rev. and Mrs. John Irvin sang a pretty duet, "My Mother's Prayer." At the close of the program H. D. Henry was introduced and he will lecture at Allen Chapel Tuesday night.

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The hotel will be operated this year under entire new management. The experienced and much traleved Mrs. C. A. Breckenridge having assumed the reins of guidance, states that it shall be her desire and chief aim to cater solely to the public's wishes and pleasures. To that end the new management has caused the addition of a large dancing pavilion to be erected on one side of the hotel and is bending every effort to the securing of grounds in front of the building for a lawn tennis court. The kitchen will be under the supervision of expert chef cooks who will provide breakfasts, lunches and dinners in tasteful and appetizing styles. Waitresses and upstair servants have been engaged with care and discretion. Very moderate rates to guests will prevail throughout the season.

EARLINGTON, KY.

Mrs. Sally Stockard died Tuesday, May 4. Her funeral was held Wednesday afternoon from Mt. Zion Baptist church, conducted by Rev. J. R. Evans. Her remains were laid to rest in the new cemetery near Barsly, conducted by J. A. Watson. -- Mrs. Hattie Wilson left Tuesday, May 4, for Louisville, her home, after visitng friends for several days. -- Mrs. Craig, who has been here with her daughter, Mrs. Belephant, left Tuesday, May 4, for Columbia, Tenn., to spend a few weeks at her home. -- Anna Minters Orrean, sister, niece and nephew of W. M. Sisk and Mrs. Mary Culpepper, of Evansville, had a narrow excape from being killed last Thursday when a horse became frightened and ran away and overturned the buggy.

CURRY INSTITUTE, URBANA, O.

The Curry has lost good helpers in the persons of Miss Effie Lawrence, commercial teacher, and Prof. G. F. Richings, traveling representative. -- Central hall, the new $20,000 building, is up to the second story, with a large force of mechanics working daily. Central hall will be dedicated this summer. The Senior class of 1915 has elected the following: President, Miss Jessie Johnson, Pittsburg, Pa.; secretary, Carl Blackwell, Zanesville, O.; treasurer, Miss Grace Haitcock, Sidney, O. Miss Henrietta Jones a graduate of Curry, has been appointed stenographer to the president. -- A movement is to be inaugurated to erect a dormitory to be known as Richings Memorial hall, to the memory of G. F. Richings.

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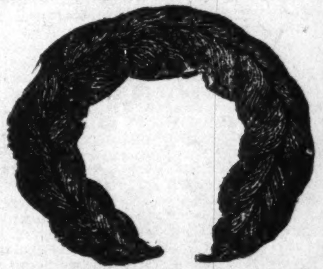

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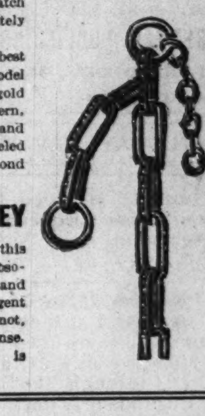

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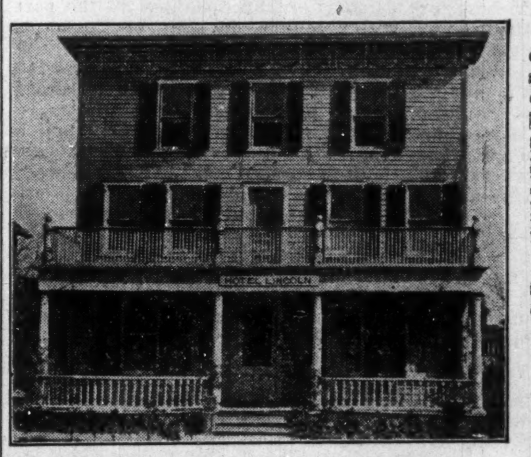

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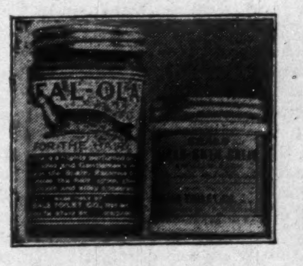

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The banquet tendered Charles W. Anderson, former Collector of Internal Revenue at New York, was a "whang."

The Freeman appreciates the invitations to attend the commencement exercises of the Clarke Training School Monday, May 31, at Washington, D. C., through the courtesy of Ida S. Cushinberry, formerly of Indianapolis, who is now connected with that institution.

A. E. Manning, of this city, has been mentioned in connection with the now vacant position, Assistant Register of the Treasury. The office carries a fairly attractive salary. Mr. Manning's friends think that he is deserving of something of a substantial nature for his years of faithful service.

Which shall it be, straw hats or overcoats in these vacillating days? Overcoats have checked straw hats, many of the latter being killed and taken. Straw hats say that the enemy was repulsed. But at the last accounting overcoats had moved up a trench or so. It is thought that straw hats will make a general advance, at least, by the middle of the summer.

If the Bee of Washington, D. C., is right in what it says about the status of the Negro clerks in that city, and as contrasted with that under the previous administration, the present administration is due a bit of praise. That it added twenty-five per cent. to our difficulties is not discouraging in view of the fact that our friends begun the "fund" with a seventy-five per cent. contribution.

Wilberforce University is "setting pretty." The Ohio legislature has appropriated $268,088 for its use during the years 1915 and 1916. A $30,000 science building is planned for next year. With the contemplated improvements that school will be exceeded in equipment only by Hampton and Tuskegee. Among the improvements will be a gymnasium, a recitation building, a hospital and industrial shops.

Hurrah for Mayor Kiel of St. Louis! He is against segregation and he will veto any bill to that effect that reaches him. The mayor is right. There is much to be watched and regulated in a country like this. But that is what government is for, to straighten out kinks, to adjust affairs, relations between men and between concerns. It does not mean that a part of the citizens is to be ostracised, to be set aside, to be squelched. Segregation [illegible] a high-handed proceeding on the part of the strong to wrest the rights from the weak. Once the precedent is established there is no certainty as to where the mischief will end.

In the last issue of this publication we had it that R. W. Thompson, the well known newspaper correspondent, at Washington, D. C., gave an account of "The Birth of a Nation," a moving picture production which could be construed as a favorable comment on his part and an indorsement on the part of those colored persons which were admitted to the playhouse. This was a mistake—a grievous error. The play was not the production which created the furore in Boston. The production in Washington was "The Nigger," a very ugly sounding title, but as we understand it, an inoffensive production as it concerns our race. One can readily see how the mixup might be, the one thought to be the other, and especially since both are being discussed with their seemingly cross purposes titles. One not on the scene, or when not thinking carefully would set down the production, "The Nigger," as the one of harm, and the other of the highflown title as the one big with good. It appears the other way. Mr. Thompson has called our attention to he mixup, and we cheerfully make the correction. He does not care to stand for "The Birth of a Nation," and we do not blame him.

Formal rules of war are much like asking a man in which manner he preferred to be killed. And yet the representatives of nations, in peaceful times, enter into agreement as to how the thing may be done. It all seems so humane when not engaged in war, or to those that are lookers on during the conflict. It is different with those managing the wars. When Germany or any other country is battling for existence they will not question methods of warfare. This seems a rather brutal assertion in view of the known effort to fight according to lines, according to some prescribed rules. And as these rules concern non-participants they are right and ought to be. But as they concern belligerents with political slavery in view for the vanquished they will not be observed very closely. Pink tea gentlemen may choose swords or pistols and settle a difference on some green sward 'neath shady trees by the most improved methods. Here a single shot, hit or miss, very often settles the business. This is not a war of race extermination—men, women, children, home and happiness swept away. When these things confront men the thing is to win and not to consider the cost. When these conditions confront men will not be stayed by nice rules. Cut the whole business out, is it? War is not a necessity.

WHAT WILL GERMANY SAY?

What will Germany say in reply to Secretary Bryan's note is the uppermost question in the minds of the thoughtful people of civilization. We, in this country, are cautioned not to anticipate for fear of further complicating a most grave situation. And perhaps it is best, yet in a general way views of the German nation's position are coming in from various sources; speculative, true enough, but none the less views of what Germany will say. Indeed there is a tendency to fix a program for that country. But Germany is Germany and that says very much as little as it appears. The German newspaper thought is supposed to foreshadow what will come from Berlin. That thought is, practically unanimous, that Great Britain is at fault in trying to do what the Germans hold to be a criminal thing—to starve out their women and children. And by the way here is a place where war rules are flung to the winds.

We are not trying to side with Germany. We choose to stand with the President of this country, and with the major sentiment. Because we are interested it is not necessary to become so partisan as not to see all sides of the question. We would know the truth; it shall make you free, was spoken in another day and by the world's master mind. Germany deplores the loss of the American lives on the Lusitania, but it will not stand for any "ruse" by which England may profit by munitions of war. There is talk on the surface of Germany abandoning its submarine farfare. It will do it, we think, when bread can flow as freely to those shores as to those of England. This is human nature, and Germany in her tenacity is plus human nature.

What Germany will say is conjectural, but it is fairly sure it will be along the lines of the expressions seen in the leading publications of that country. We can not see much room for a chance of misunderstanding. As "bullying" is what that country is quoted, it will be careful enough not to invite further antagonism. The insistence of an open sea on the part of our country in spite of England's war on German bread is a most dangerous point, and one to be viewed in the light of the situation rather than by broad rules.

Our own country has just such a position at home—one that will not yield to broad rules. The Negroes are citizens, and hence due the citizens' portion, but the broad rules are shifted, lifted, suspended very often, owing to the nature of the situations. We are not arguing the case. We wish, however, to make the point that conditions sometimes throw the best rules out of gear.

Our country is with the President, but it has no real thought of actual war. And there'll be none unless Germany insists on it. It is not reasonable to think that country cares to take on more enemies. An amicable adjustment is looked forward to in spite of the warning of anticipating what Germany will say.

DEATH CLAIMS BISHOP TURNER.

Ere this the country has paused a while in its turmoil or joy to hear the sad intelligence that Bishop H. M. Turner, of Atlanta, Ga., chairman of the house of bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal church, is no more. The distinguished prelate was born at Newberry Court House, S. C., February 1, 1834. Being a Negro, and in the South, his opportunity for education was limited. Like Abraham Lincoln he was practically self taught. It is not said that he attended any school. He made it practically alone owing to the force of his indomitable will to do and to be which presided over the man; he rose to one of the world's greatest distinctions.

So much can be said of this wonderful man that it can not be compressed within this small space. His learning was not what may be called eminent, but it was general, and in a way colossal, lacking the later day finesse which pronounce men as scholars. To be a scholar, and to be thought one was the consummation of his soul, devoutly wished. To this end he studied law, medicine, politics, theology, astronomy, sociology, the dead languages, winning the good comment of men for superior intelligence. Had Bishop Turner been born in this day, with that same towering ambition, with the opportunity of this day it is not extravagant to say he would have been one of the foremost scholars of the world. As it was he won all of the signs of great scholarship, D.D., LL.D., C.L.

Bishop Turner was an associate of great men. He was appreciated by President Lincoln who appointed him chaplain to the First U. S. Colored Troops in 1863. He associated with Dr. Booker T. Washington, Bishop Arnett and similar Negroes of later days. His familiars of former days were the giants of the then new Republican party—Blaine, Conkling, Sherman, Logan, Morton and the rest of them. At one time he was a member of the Georgia Legislature. He called the first Republican convention in Georgia, was a member of its constitutional convention in 1867; was a postmaster. He held other positions. Perhaps no Negro up until this time was so much in evidence as he was when in his prime.

In his chosen church he was an avalanche as it concerns force. Coming to his best in a day when the church was the Negroes' forum, advocate and "king" his influence was of the supremest kind, and the kindliest for the upbuilding of his people, for the upbuilding of his church. Personally he was tenacious of his power, a thing learned of his long line of activities. And when the stress of those activities made for a seemingly somnolent mind, he stood as one of those columns of the Parthenon, somewhat shattered, but still doing duty, bearing the burden thrust upon him. He refused to be retired; and the heart of the great church acquiesced in his refusal. He was greatly loved. And in this love he was law. He was active to the very end as he would have it—to die in the harness.

The bishop insisted on going to Canada to preside over his conference in spite of his years and feebleness. He had before raised the siege of weakness, and he would do so again, as he thought. His 81 years were not an unusual age, but he had been a most unusual man. He established churches in Africa, not to speak of his great itinerary and various, at home—politics, lecturing, preaching and doing things that he alone knew of best. Although of great splendid physique—a Greek model for proportion—he crumbled 'neath the wear and tear of the load. He fell at his post in Windsor, Canada, Saturday, May 8, 1915—the senior bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal church. When he passed the void created will eternally remain a void. Time and circumstance can never come again that will produce his likes.

THE NEW VERSION.

The Bee, of Washington, D. C., is out with the assertion that huddling or bunching of the colored clerks began with the Republican administration preceding the present administration. It says:

"Although this community has been hoodwinked out of more than three thousand dollars and sent to New York to fight this terrible thing, segregation, it has remained just where the Republican administration bequeathed it in its last will and testament, as part of its effects. More than seventy-five per cent. of the present segregation was transmitted to President Wilson by Republicans."

What do you think about this eleventh-hour confession? The Bee is on the scene, and we take it that it knows what it is talking about. Yet when the Negro press was raging about the wrongs inflicted by the present administration, that publication nor any person at the capital gave it out that segregation was a Republican bequeathment. We confess that it is news to us. It is sometimes best not to speak of one's ignorance; at other times it is well nigh criminal not to confess, because such confession may righten a great wrong. We do not feel particularly conscience-smitten in this case, in that we have only abused Mr. Wilson's administration. The two wrongs do not make right. However, we would not have singled out the one administration had all of the facts been before the country. This review of our position will not change the situation one whit, and it may be that no one is interested. It is not the purpose. We wish to be eminently fair, to the point of petic justice, which plays no favorites—the mood is wholly apologetic.

But we have said that the present administration is not excused even if the previous administration did set the example. Our argument, of course, and that of those contending loses force if the premises of the Washington publication are admitted.

This is no time to be haranguing about a thing which is of so little moment of itself. We mean the segregation of the colored clerks at Washington. That is but one of many opposing things that besets us in our social struggle. The general good of the country is uppermost in the minds of all well thinking persons. However, we could not forego this opportunity to modify our position, and since it does not tend to antagonize the administration which needs the general nation as one man.

The Washington publication says further:

> In justice to the President and the heads of the departments The Bee affirms that the records show that more colored employes have been promoted than were during the four years of the preceding administration. More colored clerks have been promoted to higher grades, to the highest grades in the service and for every reduction of colored clerks from a high to a lower salary, made necessary by the acts of Congress, a corresponding number of colored clerks have been promoted to salaries of like grades.
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> More colored messengers, laborers and chair women have received appointments under this administration. At no time in the history of the civil service law did any Republican President issue executive orders, effecting colored messengers, making them eligible to clerkship and promoting them to twelve hundred and fourteen hundred dollars; although these messengers had served faithfully and well and rendered valuable services for forty and more years, it never occurred to any other cabinet officer to request the President to issue such an order as did Secretary McAdoo and Bryan, which requests were promptly complied with and these requests were made, based wholly upon merit.

PORTSMOUTH, OHIO.

Mrs. Dabney, who has been very ill, is no better. -- Mr. and Mrs. L. Gardner are rooming at Mrs. Blackwell's, 1019 Findley street, rear. -- Mr. John Richardson is some better and has moved to 1035 Findley street, rear. -- Mrs. Mary Sloan and Mrs. Susan Lyons were called to the bedside of their neice, Maggie White, who passed away at Columbus, Ohio. -- The A. M. E. Sewing Circle met at the home of Mrs. E. Coles on Washington street. All members were present and after business, a two-course luncheon was served by the hostess. -- The Harmon Lodge No. 33, K. of P.'s, met at the A. I. U. hall Sunday afternoon and marched to the Pleasant Green Baptist church, where they held thanksgiving services. The Lewis band led the march. The Silver Leaf Court also turned out in a body. A splendid audience was in attendance at the services and Mr. Kane Fossett acted as master of ceremonies. The opening hymn by the choir was "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Miss Lulu Turner presided at the organ. Mr. William Garden read the lodge proclamation, after which Mr. Fossett introduced the Rev. W. P. Chapman, pastor of the church, who delivered an eloquent sermon. The pastor was assisted by Rev. J. Irwin of the A. M. E. church. Rev. G. Metcalf, at the close of the sermon, joined Mr. J. Evans in presenting the pastor with a handsome sum of money. -- The band concert given by the Lewis Concert band at the A. I. U. hall was a grand success. This was the semi-monthly meeting of the African American League and a splendid address was delivered by Senator J. I. Hudson. He reviewed the various phases of the colored race and his talk was greatly enjoyed. He recalled the great progress the race has made and what it gives promise of doing. -- Rev. Baley preached at the A. M. E. church of which Rev. McCoomer is pastor, the sermon was very good and the many citizens are always glad to hear him.

MAYOR KIEL OF ST. LOUIS.

In voicing his opinion against segregation, Mayor Kiel of St. Louis said recently:

"I wish to say now, as I have already said on several occasions, that I am opposed to the enactment of a law providing for the segregation of colored people. If such a measure designed to carry out such a move ever reaches my office, I will promptly attach my veto to it.

"If the segregation question ever reaches the stage of a campaign issue for or against its adoption, I pledge myself to 'take the stump' and make speeches opposing it if it becomes necessary to defeat it.

"But even if a segregation law be finally adopted in St. Louis, I am confident it never would become effective. It would without doubt be declared unconstitutional by the courts and promptly thrown out, on the ground that it violates the sovereign rights of citizens by drawing the color line. Such a law could not endure here and would perish in short order."

NEWS OF SHREVEPORT, LA.

(By Chas. J. Harris.)

The Caddo Brass Band was one of the features attractions at the commencement exercises and exhibition of the North Louisiana Institution at Mansfield, La., Friday, May 14. The exercises were a complete success and a much improvement to that of 1914. Professor Whaley, the principal of this college, deserves much credit for his successful efforts and sparing no pains nor expense to make this event the most successful one of its kind. The professor knows that the music of a good band will put new life in every one, school board, faculty, students and participants, few schools in the south not having their own bands will go to the expense or trouble of securing one elsewhere. Mr. Jack Hines is now the trap drummer with the Echo Orchestra, which is kept quite busy five nights every week playing white dances at Cedar Grove and the fairground. Mr. Chas. J. Harris would like to hear from Mr. Frank Wagner, drummer at Lyric Theater, Newport News, Va. We are having large attendance at Palace Park dances every Monday night. The Freeman is a pleasant visitor every Saturday and can be found at 835 Texas avenue at Adolph and Walter McCoy's barber shop.

Going to subscribe sometime? Why not now?

SECOND TO ENTER CONTEST.

Mrs. Frederick Wright, 511 East Eighth street, Mason City, Iowa, is the second to enter The Freeman's Panama-Pacific Exposition Contest Trip, and has 500 votes to her credit up to date.

The ramble Wednesday night of last week at the Crown Garden Theater was successful in every way. The program was by Elnorah Wilson, Hamtree Harrington, The Freemans, CcCray and Brown, Perrin and Crosby, Edgar Brown, The Two Bens, Hollman and Young, Russell Smith, Blaine and Brown and L. L. P. H. Davis.

Mr. Sam Crawford, late of the Chicago Giants, was in the city this week, securing players for his own aggregation, "Crawford's All Stars" of Chicago. They are going to make an extensive tour of the West.

McVEY OUTPOINTS WILLS.

NEW YORK, May 19.—Sam McVey, of California, defeated Harry Wills, of New Orleans, in a ten-round bout here tonight. McVey weighed 210 pounds, and Wills 208. Wills took a count of nine in the ninth round, after receiving a left to the body and a left hook to the jaw.

AMERICAN GIANTS WIN; GUNTHERS LOOSE, 3 TO 2.

Four Hits, Pass and Error Gave the Giants All Their Runs in Fourth Round—Laporte, Ind., Next Sunday.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

CHICAGO, Ill., May 18.—(Special.)—The cool weather had a great deal to do with the attendance on last Sunday at the American Giants park, where the home team played the Gunthers. The American Giants proved that they were just as clever on a chilly day as a hot day in July. The Giants had the hardest battle of the season with the Gunthers, the white boys losing (3 to 2. "Rube" pitched for the first team this season. He was accorded a great reception and as usual, one could hear from all parts of the park, "go at 'em. Rube," "put one over now," 'don't let him hit," etc. The Old Roman pitched a splendid game, sending two to the bench and allowed four to walk. He was admirably supported. It was in the sixth inning when the Gunthers showed a little extra speed and "Rube" being a good general, sent in Walter Ball, who was seen at the mound for the first time this season. Four hits, a pass and Sullivan's boot gave the Giants all of their runs in the fourth inning. Frances, the third baseman for the Giants, got a three-bagger, the first one of the season at this park. Every man on the team played scientific ball. Accidentally Barber spiked a man, who was forced to retire. This makes the fourth straight game for the American Giants to carry off the honors at their park.

Am. Giants.	R	H	P	A
Barber, 1b	0	2	6	0
Hill, cf	0	1	4	0
Duncan, lf	0	1	3	0
McNair, rf	0	2	2	0
Hutchinson, ss	0	0	4	3
Frances, 3b	0	1	0	1
Foster, p	1	0	0	1
Ball, p	0	0	0	1
Bauchman, 2b	1	2	3	5
Watts, c	1	1	5	0
Totals	3	10	27	11

Gunthers.	R	H	P	A
Jones, cf	1	0	2	1
Weisner, ss	0	1	0	1
Stock, ss	0	0	0	1
Madigan, rf	0	3	2	0
Miller, 1b	0	0	11	0
Geiser, lf	0	0	1	2
Asmussen, c	1	0	3	1
Thu'mling, 3b	0	2	3	4
Sullivan, 2b	0	2	1	2
Lafferty, p	0	1	1	4
Totals	2	9	24	16

Laporte, Ind., Next Sunday.

The Laporte, Ind., champions will play the American Giants next Sunday. Mr. Foster says he is bringing one of the best teams in the country for the next battle.

SOX CLOUT THE BALL.

Locals Make Twenty-two Hits, Winning Easy Game From Nashville.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—(Special)—Before one of the largest crowds that ever turned out to witness a semi-pro game in Louisville the White Sox administered a drubbing to the Nashville Giants at Eclipse Park Sunday, the final score being 23 to 4. The White Sox hammered the ball to all corners of the ball yard, making a total of twenty-two safeties, including seven doubles, three triples and as many home runs. The locals ran the bases at will, most of the bases being stolen while the pitcher held the ball. The feature of the game was the clouting of Dunbar and J. Taylor, this pair making nine hits between them. Dunbar secured two doubles, a triple and a home run. Burch pitched a fine game for the White Sox, holding the visitors to one hit in eight innings. Manager Taylor took the mound in the final inning, and the visitors succeeded in making three runs. The Melwood Cubs defeated the Bon-Bons in the first game 11 to 5. The West Baden Sprudels, a team equally as good if not better than the White Sox, will play at Eclipse Park next Sunday. The score:

Nashville.	ab.	bh.	po.	a.
Singleton, ss	4	0	1	0
Allison, c	3	0	8	2
Johnson, 1b	3	0	3	2
King, 2b	4	0	5	3
Coles, cf	4	0	3	1
Patton, 3b	3	0	3	0
G. Gain's, lf	3	2	0	0
K. Gain's, rf	4	0	1	1
Calhoun, p	1	0	0	0
Totals	31	2	24	10

White Sox.	ab.	bh.	po.	a.
Moore, rf	5	2	0	0
Jones, c	3	2	6	1
Dunbar, lf	6	4	1	0
J. Taylor, 2b	6	5	3	3
Hocker, 1b	5	2	13	0
Scotland, cf	4	1	1	0
Watson, 3b	4	2	2	1
Houston, ss	6	3	1	4
Burch, p	5	1	0	4
S. Taylor, p	0	0	0	1
Totals	44	32	27	14

Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9—T.
Nashville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3— 4
White Sox	2	0	5	6	5	4	0	1	*—22

Errors—Singleton, Allison, Johnson, King, K. Gaines, J. Taylor, Hocker, Houston 2. Two-base Hits—J. Taylor 2, Dunbar 2, Scotland, Watson, Burch, G. Gaines. Three-base hits—Dunbar, Houston, Moore. Home Runs—Dunbar, Jones, Hooker. Dougle Play—Coles to King. Stolen Bases—J. Taylor 3, Jones 2, Scotland 2, Moore, Hocker, Watson, Allison, G. Gaines. Struck Out—By Calhoun 5; by Burch 6; by Johnson 2. Hit by Pitched Ball—G. Gaines and Johnson by Burch; Moore by Calhoun; Scotland by Jennings. First Base on Balls—Off Calhoun 2; off Jennings 5; off Taylor 2. Passed Balls—Allison 3. Hits—Off Calhoun 20 in 4 innings; off Burch, 1 in 8 innings. Time of Game—One hour and forty-five minutes. Umpire—Felhoelter. Scorer—Hunter.

STATE NORMAL DID NOT WIN THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Selma, Ala., May 17, 1915.

Editor Freeman,
Indianapolis, Ind.:

Dear Sir—Please allow me to correct the public in regards to an article recently published in your paper by someone evidently connected with the State Normal School of Montgomery, Ala., in which article a statement was made that they won the championship of the state.

This is absolutely untrue as well as ridiculous for that school to be so unfair as to make such a claim, knowing, too, that they had the weakest school team in the state, and besides they played a schedule of only six games and have been defeated by Selma Union by the score of 17 to 6 in one of the two games played between these two teams.

Selma Union has rightfully won the championship of the state of Alabama, and hereby lays claim to this distinction, as this school has played more and harder games than any other school in the state and have won more than two-thirds of their games, as their record will show.

I do hereby submit a true record of all the games played by the representative schools of the state so you can see by the record that State Normal justly belongs in last place.

The following is the authentic record of the schools:

	P.	W.	L.	T.
Selma Union	19	15	3	1
Talladega College	15	7	6	2
Tuskegee	13	6	5	2
Normal	18	10	7	1
State Normal	6	4	2	0

So it can be seen by the record that Selma Union has the undisputed title to the state championship, if not the championship of the South, and lays claim to the same.

Selma Union stands ready and willing to play and defend her title of "Champions of the State," if not the South, against any team.

Very respectfully,
SELMA UNION.

Selma, Ala., May 12, 1915.

Selma Union easily defeated the State Normal School of Montgomery, Ala., here in a game featured by heavy hitting of the Selma boys, who knocked out two of the State Normal's pitchers. The game was amusing from the start because of the many errors made by State Normal. Dodell pitched a steady game for Selma, allowing only six hits. The score: Selma, 17; State Normal, 6.

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State Nor.	0	0	0	2	1	0	2	0	1	6	6	12
Selma Union	4	4	2	0	3	3	1	*		17	17	2

Batteries—Mayes, Tuskegee, Johnson; Dowdell and Smith, Coley.

NASHVILLE, TENN., GIANTS

Win Three Out of Four from Union Giants at Jackson, Tenn.

JACKSON, Tenn.—(Special.)—The Nashville (Tenn.) Giants took three out of four games played with the Union Giants week of May 10th.

Score, Monday, May 10th:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	r.	h.	e.
Nashville	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	4	4	1
Jackson	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	4	2

Batteries—Patton and McCray; Knight and Simpson.

Umpire—Atwood.

Score, May 11th:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	r.	h.	e.
Nashville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	4	9	0
Jackson	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	7	0

Batteries—Stratton and Ferrell; Herbert & Harper.

Score, May 13th (double headder):

First Game—

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	r.	h.	e.
Nashville	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	4	4	4
Jackson	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	3

Batteries—Denton and McCray; Herbert and Harper.

Second game—

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	r.	h.	e.
Nashville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Jackson	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0

Batteries—Denton and McCray; Knight and Harper.

Umpire—Taylor.

The Union Giants leave May 18th for Yazoo City and other points in the Southern states.

Do you want to go to the Panama-Pacific Exposition free? Read about it on page 4 of this issue.

SPORTING NEWS OF SHREVEPORT, LA.

(By Chas. J. Harris.)

The Smart Set Baseball Club has just returned from a very successful trip, touring south Louisiana and Mississippi, winning 11 games and losing 4.

The boys are all in good form which resulted in a victory over the New Orleans club here at Palace Park Sunday, May 16. The game was very interesting and the fans were much enthused, as both clubs were good ones and equally matched.

The score was 3-3 in the sixth inning, when Jerry, Shreveport's second baseman, untied them with a line drive to deep center and scored with a home run in the fourteenth inning, which ended the game, making the score 3-4 in favor of the home club. There were many pieces of coin contributed to Jerry for his noble play.

After the game the fans' attention was called to another game of sport and they were greatly amused by watching Rattlesnake Kid work out in many different stunts preparing for his battle with Young Joe Gans Tuesday night, May 18th. The Caddo Brass Band entertained the spectators with overtures and selections before the game and short juicy rags between innings, which were heavily applauded. Shreveport is growing real sporty.

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¶ We hear much these days about colored people not patronizing colored business enterprises—

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Anyone in the contest that fail to get the 2,500 votes, but get one-fourth of the amount (625 votes) will be allowed 25 per cent. of all the money they send in. Contestants must report once a week by not later than Tuesday, in order that the number of votes can be published each week.

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The contest will close October 1. Parties can go any time the required number of votes are secured.

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NOMINATING BALLOT

The Indianapolis Freeman's Trip to Panama Pacific Exposition!

This nominating blank is worth 500 votes if accompanied with one subscription.

I hereby nominate..
Name of Nominee
whose age we know to be over 16 years. Whose address is..........................
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Nominated by..
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STAGE GOSSIP
J. B. DAVIDSON

STAGE NOTES.

Hamtree Harrington is in East St. Louis this week, opening a new house.

U. S. (Slow Kid) Thompson, the only jig entertainer in the Ringling Bros.' side shows, is a hit in every city.

Hello, Alice Whitman. Write The Freeman office immediately. Something important. Edw. Knox.

Bishop Brown would like to hear from Ma and Pa Ramsey. Address The Freeman or Crown Garden theater, Indianapolis.

Martin & Motley Merry Makers, Monday, May 17, Farmville, N. C.; 18th and 19th, Tardor, N. C.; 20th and 21st at Rocky Mount, N. C.

Draman Pernot, claronetist with J. C. Miles Band and Minstrels, would like to hear from William Bryant and Sam Topman. We are now in New York. See route in this issue of Freeman. Best regards to all friends in the profession.

Miss Bessie Oliver is now in Harrisburg, Pa., filling dates in and around for special occasions. She will take up Duck's time next week. All mail will reach her at 1853 Seventh street northwest, Washington, D. C. Thomas Ramsey, John H. Mason and Billy Young please write me.

The Whitman Sisters, writing from Anniston, Ala., say that they highly appreciate the letters of sympathy and condolence from their many friends during the illness of their sister Mabel. They speak commendably of Miss Katherine Kent, with whom they stopped while in Birmingham. They are now playing one night stands enroute to Asbury Park, N. J.

Will C. Washington, the rising commedian, late of the Hugo Bros. Greatest American Minstrels, that was touring the world, have just returned from abroad after a successful tour through Australia, New Zealand and England. They are now playing at the Irequois theater for two weeks. Mr. Washington has joined hands with Mrs. Grace Arant as a partner. Regards to all of my friends.

Mr. Arthur A. Wright wants to state that he and his boys spent a very pleasant Sunday, May 9, at Newcastle, Ind., where we had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Robert Scott, an old retired showman, who is in business at that place, and says he has been all around and Newcastle suits him very well. Mr. Scott is now 82 years old, and attends his own place of business very well. A. A. Wright says hello to the entire Jo-Go world—King Phillips, has that got 'em?

M. McQuitty is somewhat under the weather with a bad cold and tonsilitis. I spoke about Rastus' Airship dancing. He danced so well Mr. Chas. Sparks saw fit to have him go to the big top and work in the concert. Now I think that a very nice thing for little Rastus. Everything is running nicely about the show.

STEECE'S UNCLE TOM'S CABIN OPENS.

Mort Steece's Mammoth Production of Uncle Tom's Cabin opened the season with a week's engagement at the Crown Theatre, Chicago.

There are about 25 select Negro performers in the cast. The S. R. O. sign was out nightly and the press of Chicago speaks very highly of the aggregation. The colored performers include Miss Ethel Jacobs, Evelena McClenan, Messrs. J. A. B. Taylor, Colwell Jones, Melba Johnson, Chas. H. Williams, and Walter Johnson.

Mr. Steece, the owner, is full of smiles, and he is very well pleased with the production. A man with the character and caliber of Mr. Steece is due the blessing of God in anything he should undertake.

THE LYRIC THEATRE, KANSAS CITY, MO.

We opened May 3 to a crowded house, and we are still doing a good business. The show is one of the best in Kansas City. We have a very jolly bunch and everyone is working their best. We would like to hear from good acts. No boozers or disorganizers will play at the Lyric Theatre, so save your stamps. We want acts that are ladies and gentlemen. Let me hear from you.

The company includes the following: Sandy Burns, Loe & Moore, Freeman & Freeman, Bessie Brown and Stella Harris, Birdie Gibson, Rosie Scott, Anna Holt, Tillie Sequinn. Funny Billy Higgins is keeping the house screaming every night. Prof. W. Benton and his orchestra, W. Benton Overstreet, leader; Hamp Harper, violin; Joe Sudler, cornet; George Wilkson, clarinet; Chas. Washington, trombone; Curtis Mosby, drums. W. M. King, proprietor; Edward Lankford, general manager. Address all mail to 1420 East Tenth street.

SHOW FOLKS DOWN IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

(By Wm. Benbow.)

They all come and they all go, but $1 still remains. Why? Because Chas. P. Bailey, owner and manager, is always wide awake and knows what to hand his patrons to amuse them.

The following are on the bill this week: Hightower, Owens, Tansell, Burton Pugh, Pugh and Benbow, and Johnson. The music is still in the hands of the one and only one, Ed. Butler, the boy that knows how to put 'em over, assisted by Julius McGarr. Oh you drummer. T. Bailey is still cooling the bunch between the acts.

NOTES FROM SHEESLEY'S COLORED ARISTOCRACY, WITH "GREATER SHEESLEY SHOWS."

(By Lizzie Dudley.)

We are touring the state of West Virginia, playing to S. R. O. nightly. We haven't the best show in the world, but one that is capable of making good anywhere. The company consists of the following stage celebrities: Kelley and Kelley, Kid and Annie; Dokes and Dokes, Joe and Lillie; Dudley and Dudley, Happy and Lizzie; Jones and Jones, Slim and Christina; Little Rastus Jones, Chas. English and last but not least, that Hoosier team, Boyd and Boyd, and old Chattanooga Club Hawkins at the piano.

We send regards to friends in and out of the profession. Joe Dokes would like to hear from Simon Jones, Ray Miles, Kid Kelley says where are you? Write him, care of Freeman. The ghost walks every Saturday afternoon over here.

CURRENT TOPICS FROM ST. LOUIS

Hammett Ashford Opens New Buffet. 4,000 People Witness New Innovation at Booker Washington Theatre. Giants Make 128 Runs in Seven Games—Dreamland Ball a Brilliant Success.

(By Herbert T. Meadows.)

Hammitt Ashford, a well known business man, has opened the Flower Garden Buffet in St. Louis, at Twenty-third and Market streets, oposite the B. W. Theatre. Mr. Ashford has had twenty years' experience in catering to the public, he having been in business at Memphis, Hot Springs, Little Rock and Pine Bluff. He is a good mixer, knows well the art of coining friends and his new place is already beaming with social activity. Mr. Ashford is ably assisted by Geo. Fitzhugh, manager, and Carter Richardson, assistant manager, who have a swarm of friends. A new idea cabaret, of the highest class and distinctively original, is in charge of John Griffin. The Flower Garden Buffet is the headquarters for, and Mr. Ashford solicits the patronage, of railroad men, hotel waiters, porters and the general public. He will cash checks, and assisted by his courteous and efficient staff, give the best service possible with fine wines, liquors and cigars.

Four thousand persons passed through the Booker Washington Theater doors Monday night. Mr. Turpin had announced the first of a series of Monday pay days for all patrons. Everyone who entered received a pay envelope containing from 1 cent to $5. Everyone seemed satisfied with the innovation, and Mr. Turpin may decide to pay off twice a week. The show this week includes Singleton and his saxiphone, Gant & Perkins, Alice Ramsey, Glenn & Brogsdale. The program is giving good satisfaction.

The St. Louis Giants have played seven games since the opening, April 18. All have been with white teams from local and interstate leagues, except one with the Southern Illinois Giants, a colored team from Cairo, Ill. In these seven games Charlie Mills' boys have made 128 runs to their opponents' 7. Next Sunday and Monday the Giants will meet the Nebraska Indians and the schedule to follow calls for games with West Baden Sprudels, Memphis Giants, Omaha Stars, Chicago Leland Giants, Lincoln Giants of New York, and the American Giants of Chicago. The fans are expecting some good baseball.

Arthur Allen, the violinist, and LeRoy Morton, the singer, are entertaining at different cafes here.

The Dreamland Ball Monday night, May 10, was the most brilliant social event ever given here. 2,000 persons attended. The dances were all classic, many Oriental novelties being introduced. The affair was given under the auspices of Miss Jeannette Mack and her school for dancing.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Extra! Extra! Extra! Mule & Jeanette Bradford Held Over for Two Weeks at Gibson's New Standard Theatre.

What do you think of that Mule & Jeanette, a hit of another bill on their second week. Their ovation was deafening, and that South Carolina Mule's latest hit was a riot. Jeanette broke up the show with the "Baldy Jack Rag." Mule played the piano and demonstrated some of his new songs.

Davis & Walker are playing the Palace this week.

All the performers bade Baldy Jim and Cress Simmons good-bye Saturday.

There's a rumor here that the New York Follies are stranded in Cambridge, Md., and Dan Mitchell is locked up.

Billy Watts passed through on his way to New York. He said he was not going to let anybody strand him. We are wondering how Johnny Peters will get back to New York. Write us; we will send for you.

The Jalvans are playing at the Alhambra this week.

McDaniel, formerly manager of the California Poppies, has joined the Eight Florida Honeysuckle Company.

J. Lubrie Hill is rehearsing a big act of fifteen people, with Evan Robinson doing the leading part. It ought to be a knockout, because he is a producer and can't be beat.

Howard & Mason are playing the Standard this week, going big.

J. T. Gibson was all smiles when he put the S. R. O. sign out Monday. Believe me, he certainly does pack 'em.

Blondy Robinson is laying off here this week.

Mule said he saw in the Freeman where a performance was using "What It Takes to Keep My Wife from Running Around, etc., and says you can use this number but mention his name in your write-up.

IRWIN MILLER AND HIS MISTER RAGTIME COMPANY AT RUBY THEATRE, LOUISVILLE.

Irwin C. Miller and his splendid company opened here Monday to the biggest house of the season, in a new show, billed as the 1915 edition of Mister Ragtime, and entitled "Safety First." While the present company is made up of mostly new people, they amply sustain the reputation established by the old company, and wherever it plays will add new laurels to Irvin C. Miller and hsi Mister Ragtime offerings. It's some show, a perfect organiation of songs, dances and comedy wired together in a Broadway manner and put over in a Irvin Miller way, which means "pep" and "more pep." The Henderson (Ky.) Gleaner, a white daily, had the following to say of the show, which appeared there just before opening at the Ruby:

Mister Ragtime Makes a Hit.

"Irvin Miller, as 'Mister Ragtime,' with his colored troupe played a very entertaining and comical Tango show at the Grand Theatre last night. The house was crowded; in the balcony and gallery which were reserved for the colored people, there was only standing room left, while on the main floor there were but few seats vacant. Mr. Ragtime has certainly made himself popular in Henderson.

The performance which was of a musical comedy nature had more speed and "pep" than any that has played on the local boards for a long time. Doc. Greene, as the heavy black-face, played in a class with Bert Williams, his rendition of 'Woodman spare that tree' equalled any of the prominent burnt cork artists."

NEW GLOBE THEATRE, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

(By Roseborough.)

The statement from the Rev. G. A. Bird, of this city, that he who impersonates a character in the grand drama of life, for the good of others, is a genius born of God and possessed with a faculty which is one of the highest attainments known among men, is worthy of the broad-minded, liberal man from whom it emanated. In these days when the love of notoriety in some ministers of the gospel make them go outside of their profession to preach against the innocent amusement of the people, when the pleasure of seeing their names emblazoned before the world as reformers of the radical type, is greater than the logical conclusions that must be de deduced by cold, calm reasoning to see the hand of a higher power in all the gifts of men. No higher compliment could be paid the Rev. Byrd than the statement that he has the courage of his convictions.

The Globe show this week is a No. 1, all acts on the bill last week having been held over owing to their popularity.

C. H. Coffe ,ea comedian who has been recommended as being good, failed to put in his appearance after tickets had been placed for him several days.

I would consider Jines & Hill the leaders owing to their stuff being so up to date, but Easton & Easton, Cox & Cox, and Billy V. Ewing are making just as big an impression.

Chicago Weekly Review

By Sylvester Russell.

GENE GREENE POSITIVELY ILL.

Fails to Appear at the Grand—Hong Fong, Chinese Rag Singer and Dancer, Makes a Hit.

The announcement that Gene Greene, the white ragtime singer, would appear at the Grand last Monday evening drew a full house at both performances and people were lined up for the second show. The announcement from the stage that Greene was ill, during the first performance, was a great disappointment to those who were present, but was nevertheless true. for not only had he sent a doctor's certificate that he was ill in bed with a throat infection, but his colored valet and chauffeur, Roy Bird, the former champion lightweight wrestler and a member of the Eighth Regiment, had come to furnish the press with data of positive news of the singer's condition. Bird, the messenger, who was rushed in to Manager Johnston quite out of breath, explained that Greene was taken ill on last Sunday night at the Lyda Theatre; that his throat would have to be lanced by a specialist and he was expected to be in prime shape by Thursday.

There were heated discussions, however, during Monday evening as to whether Gene Greene had actually got cold feet or did not really mean to appear in the Lincoln bank neighborhood. But all doubt was set at rest when people, both white and colored, who knew Greene declared that he loves colored people and had expressed his heartiest desire to appear as the ghost of Uncle Tom among them. At the Richlieu and the Elite, where the golden actors frequent, it is said that jealousy among the colored star vaudevillians ran rampant with the common desire of the critic who openly denounced them. So endeth the first chapter of the Gene Greene appearance. The bill for Monday night, which was excellent, had a special attraction in Greene's place in the form of an operatic musical comedy company, with a good white-face comedian and prima donna and a chorus, except the number in tights, gave ample satisfaction. Hong Fong, a Chinese rag Singer and dancer, made a distinct hit. One of his specialties, a cross between a Jew and German character, was premature but the rest of his act including buck dancing and rag singing were of genuine merit.

The McKey Company, which played a return date in the "Butterleys", again showed the star and his support to be very capable actors. The Link brothers gave the usual form of regular acrobatic comedy, etc. Preliminary pictures of Eugene Greene's return to the States paved the way for his piano player, Walter Ford, and Joe Manne, a publishing house rag singer, who apologized for Greene's illness, and sang some songs. The last half of last week had Irving Jones & Ray Johnson, who drew heavy all the week. The white acts were Melrose, a genuine hypnotist, whose act was extra good. Alvia & Alvia were entertaining in dialogue and dancing. La Joe's troupe was a fair attraction, and Otto's trained rooster was a good poultry show, including a chicken prizefight in costume in a ring. Harrison Stewart will head next week's attractions.

Program of the Movies.

The Salkin Enterprises are doing a splendid business.

The States will have "Three Weeks" Saturday, 22nd. (No children admitted.) Sunday, 23rd, will have "When It Strikes Home."

The Lincoln bills will be seen on the display pictures.

The Atlas Theatre will have "Life in Joliet Penn" Saturday, and "A Man and His Mate" Sunday.

The Phoenix, "The Young Romance" will be Saturday's feature, and "The Carpet of Bagdad" Sunday.

The Fountain's program will be announced in front.

The Washington will have "The Black Box" series Saturday and a girl detective series, three in number, Sunday.

Stage Notes and Stroll News.

The new Colonial Cafe opened its doors last Saturday, May 15th. Henry Sneed is proprietor and W. W. Moore is manager. The soloists were the Blanks sisters. Ethel Reed and Walter Evans, pianists. The Colony is located at 257 East Thirty-fifth street and is nicely appointed.

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Mexican Frank is now serving a business men's lunch from 12 to 7 p. m. The bill at the Pamana down stairs includes Ed Goodbar, musical director; Grace Clark Young, Odessa Crosby, Twinkle Davis, Emma Frederick, Alberta Hunter and Chas. Hill, pianist.

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Lulu Coates, who with Keene & Johnson has signed on the United time, left Sunday night for Grand Rapids with Temple Theatre, Detroit, Mich., to follow, going East. I was the guest of Miss Coates at dinner at the Watermelon Trust House on the evening of her departure.

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Andrew Copeland is now manager at the new Elite No. 2, near Thirty-fifth street. The old Elite No. 1 at State and Thirty-first streets is full every night.

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A. W. Greer, formerly of Davis & Greer, has joined hands with Ralph Delaney, late of Rose Fox's trio. They opened at East St. Louis with the Booker T. Theatre, St. Louis, Indianapolis, Cincinnati, and Chicago, to follow on Klein's time.

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The new Hermit Club Buffet is located at 4710 State street. Charles Carpenter is the proprietor. Worthington's studio is located at 4744 State street, in the same block where he has special offers in photos.

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Kid Thomas was very wise when he condecended to let his wife, Margaret Ward, retire. The actress has proved to be a fine housekeeper and their patrons are much pleased.

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The Richlieu, formerly the Pompei, has proved to be a success under the management of George L. Cook. He has among his waiters one Kid Falcon, who, with a smiling face, informs me that mention of his name will have a tendency to draw trade.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson, of 2621 State street, gave a birthday dinner in honor of a few friends one day last week. Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. E. Strange, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Boots Cooper. The menu was served by Mr. Hawksworth. Mr. Cooper entertained with piano selections.

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Harry Haskins, the most highly educated trap drummer of his race, died last Monday at his late residence, 3716 Wabash avenue. He had been in failing health for some time, but continued in the employ of Al Tierney, receiving the highest salary of any drummer of his race in Chicago.

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Ed Goodbar, the great tenor, is the prime attraction at the Panama and also musical director of entertainment. The other artists are Grace Clark Young Odessa Crosby, Trinkle Davis, Emma Frederick, Alberta Hunter and Chas. Hill, pianist.

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The Creole Band, under the management of Will Johnson, featuring J. Morgan Prince, is booked solid to May, 1916, on the Western Vaudeville Association time. Other members are Geo. Baquet, Fred Keppard, Ed Vincent, Norwood Williams, Jas. Palao. They have gone to Champlain and will be seen next week at the Empress Theater, St. Louis, Mo.

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W. R. Carter has had his Grand Tonsorial Parlor remodeled. It is located at 11 West Thirty-first street, around the corner from Harry Kelly's La Verdo Buffet. Mr. Carter was formerly manager of the Carolina Jubilee Singers and Lyceum Company and is now a member of the Shattuck Quartet.

THE DUSKY WARRIOR'S STAND.

The dusky warriors seek death with a grunt,
The stars and stripes to them always look bright,
Tho' like inferiors rushed right to the front,
The "soldiers of the cross" will ever fight.

There'll be no fear, no gloom, with war in sight,
No nestling with the thought of racial wrong;
If guns should roar and smoke consume the night,
Life, death, and countryman would be one song.

BILL OF STRONG ATTRACTIONS.

Kelly and Davis—Laura Bailey—Edgar Connor and Cecil Mann—Bonnie and Semoura at the New Crown Garden Theatre—Tim E. Owsley, Prop.

One of the best bills ever seen at the Crown Garden Theatre is presented this week. Mr. Owsley is still doing his part in giving the amusement lovers the worth of their money, and then some. The bill is worthy of good patronage.

Edgar Connor, the Original Sambo, and Cecil Mann—Novelty Singing and Dancing Specialty.

Connor and Mann are an entertaining pair of performers. They are delightful to see on or off of the stage. They are little folk, young folk. Sambo will be remembered as Sambo with the girls, the Sambo Girls, with Cole and Johnson's Red Moon company of several years ago, at the then Park theatre, this city. He was a pick then. He is now a young man. Rosamond Johnson is his foster father; he put him on the stage, taught him the stage business, after which Sambo had his own company of girls, and which had made arrangement to join Mr. Johnson in Europe. The war made it necessary to change his program.

CONNOR AND MANN.

Sambo joined with Miss Mann of the company, making the team of Connor and Mann. The little lady is one of the daintiest creatures before the footlights. Her ways are airy, winsome, and she's a beauty in fee simple—I mean in her own right. Her beautiful gowns hang all around her dressing room and she sits amid them and other esthetic trappings as a lady in waiting to some queen. But they are her own. They are mostly of light material, soft, clinging in effect; some trimmed in expensive furs. The price of one of them was expressed in three figures. Sambo also has a superb wardrobe.

They are noted for graceful dances and pretty, cheerful songs. They open with the Mississippi Cabaret. Miss Mann sings, "You've Got to Love Me Or Leave Me Alone." Both sing "I've Got Everything I Want But You." They close with "Dinah." They were repeatedly recalled. They are usually on white time. Will return to Chicago the 7th of June to re-engage in their former work.

Bonnie and Semoura, Female Impersonator, Danseuse, Singer.

Bonnie and Semoura are well known to the patrons of the Crown Garden. Semoura is a sister of the well known performer, Florence McClain. She recently became a performer, making her initial bow in Indianapolis, her home, since which time she has been steadily improving. The little lady is as handsome as Juno. She is swell in her wardrobe on or off the stage. Her straight work is good, also her dancing. She has a pleasing voice.

BONNIE AND SEMOURA

Bonnie is the well known female impersonator. Unless he has not been seen he would not be thought to be a man. His dancing number is a feature of the act. Here he is as graceful as a woman, doing many intricate steps which win with the audience. His toe dance was especially appreciated.

Semoura sings, "Daddy Come Home." Bonnie puts on that famous Eva Tanguay song, 'I Don't Care." They close with the Victrola Tango Dance. The act is well received throughout.

LAURA A. BAILEY,

Character Performer—The Tango Man Feature.

Laura Bailey, formerly of Criswell & Bailey, is now doing single, being seen for the first time in the new role in this city. She proved a great big happy surprise.

Miss Bailey is a character performer. When she comes on she is heard singing, 'Winter Nights," a verse of which is heard before she is seen. Then follows that beautiful song, "Roses," which is rendered delightfully in voice and style. At the close of this she makes an exit, which is strikingly short in time for the great change she makes.

It is difficult to describe her. She comes back about as oddly gotten up as it is possible to be. Her makeup is a winner, and the beauty of it is that she lives up to her make-up. Her line of work is a hit from start to finish. Her quaint little outlandish laugh, her queer voice and harmonious expressions stop all question about what she is going to do. The best, however, is yet to come.. Her third turn is the Tango Man. She comes in accompanied by a dummy colored man with whom she dances, doing many of the well known tango stunts, some of which she varies a bit to suit the occasion. This turn gets her an ovation. She won big, and smilingly took her bows.

KELLY & DAVIS

Straight and Comedian.

Kelly & Davis is a quality team. All of their work is carefully thought out with the view of having no dull moments. Their 15 or 18 minutes are crowded full of wholesome, interesting fun, calculated to wreck the blues.

Kelly is one of those classic straights. He dresses correctly, and in all ways play the part of a high-toned colored gent who conducts himself well. His leads are done as an artist uses his brush, to heighten the effects of the whole. He is earnest and correct in speech making for situations, which his partner uses to advantage.

Davis is a riot as a comedian, and a monologuist. He is one of those few who can turn on or off the joy just as he cares to do. Off the stage he is a quiet, refined looking little gentleman. On the stage he becomes wholly lost in his character as an eccentric colored individual whose forte is his ludicrous earnestness. His grotesque costuming is a feature.

Davis is a nephew of the late Ernest Hogan. He likes to present Hogan's "What You Gwine to Tell Master Peter When You Meet Him at the Golden Gate?" He scores in this production. It is when he does his sermon in imitation of an antiquated Negro preacher that he fully creates a riot. In order not to offend any religious faith he uses the alphabet only as his words. Through this A B C sermon is seen and heard much of what we have seen and heard in the pulpits of years ago. This sermon is original with him. Their singing and steps are in keeping with their work.

NEW YORK NEWS.

(By Billy E. Jones.)

Miss Cora Cross and Lillian Rose, entertainers at the Libyria Dining Rooms, 115 West 131st street. The only place of its kind in Harlem.

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Billy E. Jones is scoring a success with song hits, "Bird of Paradise," and "When My Ship Comes In."

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Marshall and Cumbey, an added attraction at the Lafayette Theater, N. Y., this week.

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Moss and Frye are at the Empress Theatre, Portland, Ore.

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No colored comedian possesses a more attractive personality, of greater vocal accomplishments than Jolly John Larkins, who will be seen the coming season in a revised edition of "A Trip to Africa," all brand new scenic endowment and sensations calculated to appeal to the most blase amusement seekers

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Johnson and Deene are at the Empress Theatre, Sacramento, Cal.

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Rucker and Winifred are at the Delancey Street Theatre, N. Y., this week.

F. Miller (violin and trombone) wishes to state that he is not playing trombone with Leon Marshall's Happy Days in Dixie Company, as stated in last week's issue, but is at the following address: 909 Joliet street, Joliet, Ill. Open for engagement that are paying salaries.

NOTES BY HARRISON R. HALL,

101 Ranch Wild West Correspondent.

We are still having cold and rainy weather, with a light storm in Minneapolis, Minn., which very little damage. Jess Willard, the champion, is a great attraction, and is very sociable to all. William Nash sends best regards and would like to hear from Amos Peoples. He is making a great sensation with "Down at the Barbecue." Prof. Baker sends regards to the following persons: Professors Wolfscale, Eason, Pope, Harris, Wright. Mr. Al Mastiff is still a subscriber for the Freeman. Mr. George V. Connors, our side show manager, is very generous to his people and takes pains in working to their interest.

ROGERS' GREATER SHOWS.

Roger's Greater Shows arrived in Keystone, W. Va., May 9, and made good. Our line up is five shows, a big Eli Ferris wheel and twenty concessions. Everything was busy all day and night Saturday. Our Mangel "Carry-Us-All" left last Sunday to play the parks in New York and New Jersey but a new one is expected any day, and our midway will then be complete. The boys will have to take off their hats to our manager, Mr. James Rogers, for the way things have been kept together as every time he goes one down, he comes up with five. Ope Maxwell, how can you turn so many people. You sure have the gift of gab, and Labell Sadie, she certainly is one grand entertainer. John Robinson says old John Sullivan has a disposition like a crab apple, but I see em sticking with each other mighty close. Great pair, the two Johns are. Fat Price of cook house fame and that pink suit. Ouch! Who said rain on me and I tighten up on you. Some kid, Fat Price. Our Minstrel show is still doing big business and pleasing the public, and the lot is full of boosters every night. The funny man, Mr. Pitts, is taking a vacation in the hills of West Virginia for his health, and Mr. Smith will once more take charge of the stage as Smith is a real sticker, and in the business 20 years ago, and knows the minstrel business from A to Z. Best regards to Mr. Huntington, also Saddler, where is to go?

A. B. C.'S ARE WINNERS.

Local Colored Boys Hit Ball Hard and Beat Sprudels, 8 to 2.

The A. B. C's. defeated the West Baden Sprudels, 8 to 2, Sunday at Northwestern Park before a large crowd. The local team hit the ball hard in every inning except the eighth. DeMoss and Taylor led the attack, each getting three hits. Both teams fielded in excellent style. Score:

A. B. C.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Shively, lf	5	2	2	0	0
DeMoss, 2	4	3	2	2	0
Allen, 3	3	1	1	1	0
Taylor, 1	4	3	6	3	0
Clark, s	2	0	4	2	0
Powell, c	3	2	7	0	0
Chlstn, cf	4	0	3	0	0
Jeffries, rf	4	1	1	0	1
Dismks, p	4	2	1	3	0
Totals	33	14	27	11	1

Sprudels.	AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Blackwell, lf	4	1	1	0	0
Brown, cf	3	0	2	0	0
Kimbro, 2	4	3	2	4	0
Miller, p	3	0	0	4	0
Kenard, c	4	1	7	1	1
Downs, s	4	1	2	1	1
Briggs, rf	4	0	2	1	0
Johnson, 1	3	0	7	1	0
Harrison, 3	3	0	1	1	0
Totals	32	6	24	13	2

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A. B. C's--1 3 0 1 1 2 0 0 •—8

Two-base hits—Kimbro, Blackwell, Shively. Three-base hits—Dismukes, Kimbro. Home run—Kennard. Double play—DeMoss to Clark to Taylor. Stolen bases—Shively, Clark, DeMoss, Powell, Taylor 2, Brown. Bases on balls—Off Miller 2, off Dismukes 2. Struck out—By Miller 6; by Dismukes 5. Hit by pitcher—By Miller, DeMoss. Sacrifice hits—Clark, Allen. Umpire—McCarty. Time—1:50.

SPRUDELS LOSE AGAIN TO THE A. B. C. TEAM

The A. B. C's. defeated the West Baden Sprudels again Monday at Northwestern Park, 6 to 2. "Dicta" Johnson held the Sprudels safe after the third inning. Score:

Sprudels --1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0—2
A. B. C's--2 1 0 0 1 0 0 2 •—6

Two-base hit—Brown. Home run—"Dicta" Johnson. Stolen bases—Shively 2, DeMoss, Allen 2, Clark, Charleston, Kimbro. Bases on balls—Off D. Johnson, 4; off Dandy, 7. Struck out—By D. Johnson, 8; by Dandy, 3. Hit by pitcher—By Dandy, Taylor; by D. Johnson, Blackwell. Sacrifice hits—DeMoss, Powell, Brown 2, Downs. Umpire—McCarty. Time—1:49.

A. B. C.'S TAKE THREE FROM THE SPRUDELS

The A. B. C's. made it three straight from the West Baden Sprudels Tuesday at Northwestern Park, defeating them 12 to 3. Both clubs hit the ball hard, but Tom Johnson held the Sprudels safe with men on bases. Shively, Allen and Taylor hit hard with men on bases. The Champaign Velvets of Terre Haute, Ind., play at the local park next Sunday and Monday. Tuesday's score:

Sprudels -0 0 0 0 2 1 0 0 0— 3
A. B. C's--0 0 1 1 4 1 0 5 •—12

Two-base hits—Shively, Taylor, Ward. Three-base hits—Allen, Taylor, Miller. Home runs—Allen, Blackwell, Brown. Sacrifice hits—DeMoss, Clark, Jeffries, T. Johnson. Stolen base—DeMoss. Bases on balls—Off Miller, 3. Struck out—By Miller, 6; by Johnson, 5. Hit by pitcher—By Miller, Jeffries. Umpire—McCarty. Time—1:55.

BASEBALL SEASON OPENS BEFORE LARGE CROWD

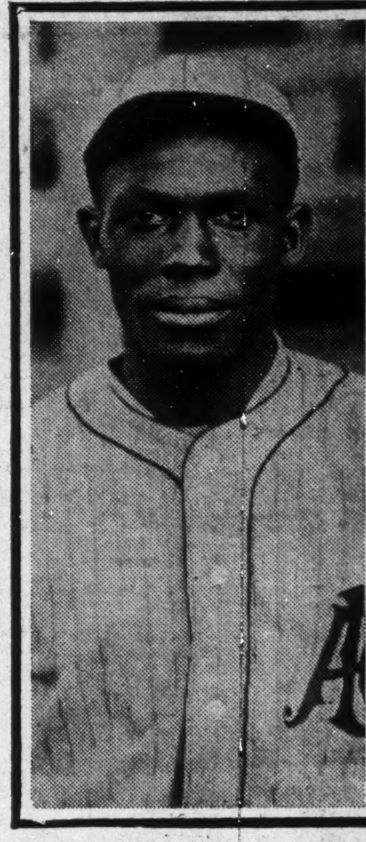
MONTGOMERY, W. Va.—(Special)—The opening of the baseball season in Montgomery Saturday, May 8, was a huge success. One of the largest crowds that ever witnessed a ball game turned out to see the Montgomery Athletics carry off the baseball honors by the score of 7 to 5. The Institute team played a strong game. Dewitt and Cheese were the battery for the Montgomery Athletics. The famous Jess Smith relieved Dewitt in the box after the fifth inning. Cheese did great work behind the bat for Montgomery. Country carried off the batting honors for Montgomery, smashing out a two-bagger over the center fielder's head, scoring two men. Crawford and Burton were the battery for Institute. Crawford pitched an excellent game for Institute and had he errorless support he would have made Montgomery fare hard. Mayor Hastings pitched the first ball and addressed the crowd in behalf of the citizens of Montgomery and he spoke highly of Col. Henderson and his baseball team.

Col. Henderson's team will play Institute at Institute some time soon. He is also expecting a game here with the fast Wilberforce University team, of Wilberforce, O., on May 26 or 27. The umpires of the game Saturday were Fulks and Courtney.

The Colonel and his team thank the people for turning out so well, and hope to be able to accommodate you again soon.

DISMUKES ONE OF THE TRIO OF STAR TWIRLERS OF THE A. B. C's.

Last he was with the Brooklyn, N. Y. Royals. He is one of the best in the business. In 1911 he defeated the Pittsburg Pirates of the National League by the score of 2 to 1. The same year he pitched three games in two days against the A. B. C's., one of which went twelve innings, winning them all. In 1912 he pitched a no-hit-no-run, 1 to 0 game against the famous American Giants. He also got into the limelight May 9, this year, by letting the Chicago Giants down without a hit or run and no man reaching second base.



JONESBORO, ARK.

Bennett's Specials Won City Championship.

(By M. E. Taylor.)

The girls' baseball club. known as the Bennett's Specials, have won the city championship by defeating the Outlaws three times in succession and will meet any girl team in the state. Elma Jones, ss; Sadie Garrett, first base; Hozel Davis, second base; Sammie Castle, third base; Sammie Jones, center field; Mamie Means, right field; Nellie Harris, left field; Annie Crabtree, catch; Viola Allen, pitch; Subs., Jannie Webb, Eula Hendricks, Adie B. Anderson; Thurston Allen, captain; John Bennett, manager. Girl clubs write. -- Mrs. Jessie Boyd, of Memphis, is spending a few days visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wyse. -- Mr. Bus. Lovelace has returned after several years' absence. -- Mrs. Annie Wade is much improved after a few days' illness. -- Master McCastle Hulett returned Sunday after spending the winter in Kansas. -- Mrs. Annie Wade, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mitchell, Chas Hunt, Mose Wright and Miss Jannie Cheers spent Monday fishing at Lake City.-- A storm visited our city last Sunday evening but no damage was done. -- Add your name to the big list of Freeman readers. See the hustling agent and get one. Mitchel E. Taylor, agent.

Look out for "The Power of Faith," Minor's great drama.

STROWDER'S ALL-STARS DEFEAT WHITE SOX 6 TO 4.

CLEVELAND, O.—(Special)—Strawder's All Stars and White Sox engaged in a red hot battle Sunday at Luna Park before a crowd of 4,000. Moore's hitting and the brilliant pitching of Redon were the features. Score:

All Stars ----------0 0 0 2 0 0 3 1 0—6
White Sox ---------0 0 1 0 3 0 0 0 0—4

Batteries: All Stars—Redon and Stokes. White Sox—Moore and Sisco.

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ROUTE.

Richard & Pringle's Minstrels, Hardin, Mont., May 24; Sheridan, Wyo., 25; Gillette, 26; Edgemont, S. Dak., 27; Hot Springs, 28; Deadwood, 29.

Silas Green Company Winston Salem, N. C., May 24; Reedesville, 25; Buhnton, 26; Highpoint, 27.

Wm. McCabes' Georgia Troubadours, Ellis, Kas., May 24; Hays, 25; Oakley, 26; Selden, 27; Jenning, 28; Goodland, May 29.

Smart Set Company with Salem Tutt Whitney, Gibson's New Standard Theater, Philadelphia, Pa., week of May 24.

F. C. Huntington's Minstrels, Camden, Ark., May 24; Clio, 25; Pine Bluff, 26; Brinkley, 28; Forest City, 29.

Prof. A. A. Wright & Co., with Sparks Shows, Iowa City, Iowa, May 24; Whatt Cheer, 25; Ames, 26; Bancroft, Minn., 27; Fairmont, 28; St. Peter, 29.

Prof. Wolfscales' Band with Barnum & Bailey Shows, Detroit, Mich., May 24-25; Toledo, Ohio, 26; Marion, 27; Cleveland, 28-29.

Prof. J. A. Harris Company with Gollmar Bros. Shows, Bonesteel, S. Dak., May 24.

J. C. Miles & Co., with Jones Bros. Shows, Amsterdam, N. Y., May 24; Schenectady, 25; Poughkeepsie, 26; Peekskill, 27; Tarrytown, 28; Beacon, May 29.

Chas. Beechum & Co., with Terry's U. T. C. Co., Pierce, Neb., May 24; Creeghton, 25; Mobrara, 26; Spencer, 27; Herrick, S. Dak., 28; Gregory, 29.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Berger, Emmett.
Brown, Irving.
Banks, Charles
Baker, Lawrence
Connor, Reid.
Cole & Cole
Christian, Geo.
Carter, Paul.
Curtis, Gray.
Collins, Eldridge.
Davis, Leslie.
Dumas, T. H.
Davis, Jolly E.
English, John.
Elliott, Silas.
Edwards, Frank.
Eiter, W. A.
Fisher, Wm.
Frederick, Albert.
Gaston, Gallie.
Grant, Archie.
Gray, Samuel.
Gray & Dunlap.
Gray, Tony.
Hallback, Willie.
Howe, Happy.
Hurst, C. E.
King, Phillips
Keith, Frank.
Lacy, A. M.
Lee, Love.
Love, Edward J.
Lee, Lawrence
Mills, F. A.
Moland, Frank.
Morton, Ted.
McDaniel, Sam.
McCamon, J. H.
Moore, Alonzo.
Powell & Powell.
The Pattersons.
Perryman, Frank.
Peoples, A. A.
Peterson, Wallace.
Penn, Berry T. P.
Richardson, Irvin.
Riley, Geo. A.
Ross, George.
Russell, Bob.
Simpson, Fred.
Stafford, Eddie.
Smith, Speedy.
Smith & Smith.
Two Sweets.
Turner, Hugh.
Thomas, W. M.
Washington, H. B.
White, James.
Williams, J. H.
Wheeler, Henry.
Watts, Earnest.
Whitemore, Dr. S. W.
Wade, Park.
Woods, Johnnie.
White, R. C.

Ladies' List.

Arnte, Gracie.
Burton, Ebbie.
Burton, India
Crippen, Katie.
Cooper, Madoline.
Carter, Ruth A.
Delk, Tootsie.
Fisher, Baby Floyd.
Josephine, D. A.
Moore, Effie.
McClure, Mamie.
Nelson, Lucille.
Pellabone, J. M.
Prince, Ruth.
Regusters, Bertha.
Stewart, Mrs. Emma.
Stevens, Lillie
Thompson, Emma
Thomas, Bonnie Bell.
Wilson, Bessie.
Whidby, Lula.
White, Evelyn.
Young, La Blanche

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Seen and Heard while Passing

By Salem Tutt Whitney With the Smart Set Co.

(As printed in the Philadelphia Press.)

(Sorrowfully dedicated to the mothers of the heroes who died in the battle of Vera Cruz, Tuesday, April 21, 1914. The mothers are the real sufferers in any war. The heart-rendering cries ascending to God from millions of widowed and motherless women throughout battle-torn Europe, should cause this nation's executive to hesitate a long time and deliberate thoughtfully and fearfully before allowing this country to be drawn into the frightful maelstrom that is devastating and demoralizing half of the civilized world.

Our great thinkers and fighters have said that war is never right; that no great question of right or wrong was ever satisfactorily settled by war. War is hell; war is legalized murder. What use in drafting international laws in a vain effort to civilize murder? Why need we have war?

The modern engines of destruction, when loosed, exact a mighty toll of the flower of manhood from any country engaged in warfare. What about the future generations? War stops the progress of civilization and men revert to barbarism. Can honor or praise compensate a woman for the loss of a father, husband or son?)

"Only a skirmish," the papers read,
Meant simply to call "Huerta's bluff;"
Yet four mother's sons lay stiff and dead,
And to these women 'twere war enough.

Why prate now of "Measures Short of War,"
Or seek by evasion the truth to shun?
The die is cast—we have gone too far;
The peace dove has flown—the war begun.

Where now are the millions that were spent
To purchase us universal peace?
Art cast in the dreadful armament
The gods of war are soon to release?

Great men may stand in the Congress hall,
And orate with patriotic zeal;
But the boys at front must fight and fall,
And bear the brunt of the foeman's steel.

"Only a Skirmish," the fighting brief.
A Nation cheers for the victory won;
But who can measure a mother's grief,
Weeping alone for her only son.

Words of condolence inadequate
To stem the sorrow or ease the pain;
Nor honor, nor praise, will compensate
For the son who'll never come home again.

O God, as Thou wilt; is each mother's prayer,
Kneeling alone in Gethsemane.
If I drink the cup—give strength to bear
The cross and its thorns of agony!

O Christ! Soften Thou the hearts of men,
And teach them for what Thy life has stood;
Lead them gently unto Thee, and then—
Unite them all in one brotherhood.
—Salem Tutt Whitney.

The last few days, New York dailies have been filled with grewsome accounts of atrocities committed by the Teutonic Allies. Are American citizens who beat, kill and burn defenseless negro men, women and children, any the less barbarians? War germinates in hell and incendiarism, brutality and atrocities are its natural product, but the American crime against God and humanity, of lynching negores, innocent and guilty, are atrocities committed in peaceful times by men whose only excuse is that of race hatred, and attracts only passing comment from the government's executive.

If all the American citizens, who lost their lives with the sinking of the Lusitania, had been American negroes, then what.

Bob Kelly and Geo. Catlin, the Chinese and the Coon, are pioneers and originators in their particular line of work, and one of the big time colored acts. Bob Kelly was the guest of J. Homer Tutt and S. Tutt Whitney at a dinner party. Bob is happy in the possession of a handsome walking stick presented to him by the brothers.

The Rajahs, Hindoo mind readers and telepathists, were a big hit at the Lafayette. They present an act that is truly mystifying and bewildering. Unaided by assistants or mechanical contrivance, the lady of the act, though blindfolded upon the stage, is able to describe any person in the audience, or any article, and give the nationality, denomination and year of any coin. The young lady also plays the piano and while her partner passes through the audience, one may whisper the name of any one of a thousand selections to him, by the aid of telephathy, he immediately comnunicates the selection desired to the young lady, who plays it upon the piano. The Rajahs will be great drawing cards in any theatre.

Johnny Woods and his dummy form one of the cleverest sketch teams in the business. There may be greater ventriloquists than Johnny but none with a more entertaining, mirth-provoking, thoroughly enjoyable act. By Johnny's wonderful ability and clever manipulation, the dummy ceases to be inanimate. One looks upon it as a living being and the jokes, ready wit, banter, repartee and general tomfoolery of the two keep an audience convulsed with aughter.

Tolliver and Chapelle will be seen in a new sketch this coming season.

One of the daily features of the Lafayette theatre is the female orchestra under the direction of Miss Marie Lucas, daughter of Sam Lucas, the dean of the colored profession. Miss Lucas is a thorough musician; she studied the piano in Nottingham, England. While quite young she began the study of the trombone and is now rated the best lady trombonist in this country. She has been musical director for several shows and most successful in vaudeville. Miss Lucas plans to install lady orchestras in several of the larger cities. The other ladies of the orchestra are Marie Wayne Townsend, an exceptionally skillful violinist, and a former member of the Smart Set Co.; Miss Maud Shelton, cornetist, and Nellie Shelton bass violinist. The Shelton sisters come from a musical family; their father began their musical studies as soon as they were able to hold their instruments. They have traveled extensively and play well upon many instruments. Nellie Shelton is the best bass player we have met en route.

Miss Nettie Goff has an international reputation and enjoys the distinction of being the first colored lady trombonist. She spent more than 14 years abroad; is a fine soloist and does excellent orchestral work.

Miss Alice Calloway, late of the Musical Spillers, is a sensational trap drummer, handling the different traps with speed and dexterity.

The orchestra handles any class of music. The girls have given excellent satisfaction to vaudeville acts and road shows.

Route—Gibson's New Standard, Philadelphia, Pa., week of 24th.

STAGE NOTES.

The Woodens still having success with Tollivers Musical Co. Asheville, N. C. next week.

The Schaeffers, after two successful weeks at the Douglass Theatre, Macon, Ga., have joined the Florida Blossom company.

The Baby Jim Show opens its tent season May 17th at Warren, Ohio and Youngstown, Ohio, to follow. Cress Simmons manager.

Hiram Sorrell and his talking kids are making a hit in Nebraska and will be seen on the stroll of Chicago before long. Regards to Sy Russel and John Woods, Little Henry.

Freddie Pratt, the brilliant young trombonist and ballad singer, is now taking a short vacation and a much needed rest at his home, 411 Fayetteville street, Denham, N. C. Regards to all friends.

Irene Howard and George Day, having returned from the Pacific coast, are working in and around Chicago. Miss Howard has recovered entirely from the bone felon and the act is better than ever. They will be seen at the principal colored houses in the near future.

The two Freemans, George and Anna, after a successful engagement at the Crown Garden Theatre, Indianapolis, are at the Lincoln, Pittsburg, this week. Next week they will be at the Standard, Philadelphia; the following week at the Howard, Washington, D. C.

Al Johnson's Big City Minstrels opened up in Sedalia this week to overflowing crowds. The bunch, composed of Rob. Henderson, producer; Al Edwards and Hazel, Bessie Brown, Emma Hicks, A. B. Williams, eccentric dancer, L. C. Jenkins, tenor singer of exceptional ability; Prof. R. J. Simmons' ten-piece band, doubling stage and orchestra.

The Lewises, Mittie and Chas. (Happy) write from San Francisco: We are still on the coast working just close cn the Fisher time, and open on the Bert Levy circuit for 22 weeks. We will be on the coast until the close of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and then we will start east. Would like to hear from all friends in and out of the profession. Mail will reach them at 1938 Bush street, San Francisco, Cal.

JOSEPH T. STATEN, TENOR SOLOIST, IN INDIANAPOLIS.

Joseph T. Staten, of the Old Southland Sextette, is in Indianapolis, where he will remain until his next season's work opens, which will be in a few weeks. Mr. Staten is well known in this city, which is his home. He has been absent for a number of years, during which itme he has been successful as a tenor soloist. His company is further known as America's Premier Colored Jubilee Concert Company, a prosperous musical venture. The personnel is as follows:

Mme. Lena P. Wilson, soprano soloist and reader; Mme. Burnerdene Mason, contralto soloist; A. S. D. Taylor, tenor soloist; Joseph T. Staten, tenor soloist; John Wilson, baritone, accompanist, reader; J. C. Anderson, basso and director.

A RABBIT'S FOOT SHOW.

(Joe Watts.)

The Rabbits are still on the go in old North Carolina, and enjoying some excellent weather. Business is up to the standard with us. Our band and show is somewhat different to the many other organizations of this class and character. We have a few of the good ones with us. Robert Everleigh, the boy wonder, is still carrying crowds along with him in our daily parades. De Wayman Niles, the greatest of all contortionists, still holding his audience spellbound, and drawing lots of applause and admiration. Verney Massey, that clever magician, never fails to add laurels to his mysterious and wonderful tricks. The Watts Bros. come in for their share on the program. Frank "Jap" Reed, our clever straight man, is exerting himself nightly, helping our funny six end men, namely, Park Wade, Robert Everleigh, Raymond Jackson, Rich Brown, Archie Blue and T. H. Dumar. Our band still under the leadership of Marcus Veal Chaney, is giving the music-loving public a treat by rendering a program from classics to rags. All are well and extend best wishes to all in and out of the profession. Hello Henry McCamon. Don't play so rough. We know there are some band leaders, but where are the stage managers? Ha! ha! All mail for Marcus Veal Chaney will reach him at Box 181 Rolling Fork, Miss. The company joins the writer in sending best regards to the Freeman staff.

WHAT'S WHAT ON THE S. H. DUDLEY CIRCUIT.

Week of May 17, 1915.

Washington, D. C.—S. H. Dudley Theatre: Kenner & Williams, Tommy Woods, Harris & Turner. Howard Theatre: Burris Deas & Stewart, Fannie Wise, Rollison & Douglas. Iceland Theatre: Hellens & Austin, Emma Butler. Palace Theatre: Mills & Kinky. Jewel Theatre: Murray & Murray.

Richmond, Va.—Dixie Theatre: String Beans, 3 Hill Sisters. Hippodrome Theatre: The McCarvers, Gaston & Brown.

Baltimore, Md.—Lincoln Theatre: Smith & Smith.

Roanoke, Va.—Boston Theatre: Richardson & Towel, Gray & Dunlap, Louise Cook.

Danville, Va.—Columbia Theatre: Nickerson & Nickerson.

Philadelphia, Pa.—New Standard Theatre: Bradford & Jeannette, Jahnny Woods, J. Leubrie Hill in a new original sketch, written and staged by himself, consisting of 14 people.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Lincoln Theatre: The Freemans.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Crown Garden Theatre: Bonnie & Semoura.

Louisville, Ky.—Ruby Theatre: Irvin C. Miller Co.

Lew Kenner, of Kenner & Williams, put on a comedy skit at the Dudley this week, entitled "Who is Boss." It was a riot. He will remain at this house as long as he makes good and puts on such good shows. Now, Mr. Kenner is happy with his little bunch, Harris & Turner and Tommy Woods and he wishes to be remembered to the Billy Henderson Stock at Richmond. He says "Live and let live," and the world will roll on. Mr. Henry is now negotiating with something big for next season, in which he will feature a few good acts. Look out for the Two Lews.

PROF. J. A. HARRIS AND BAND WITH GOLLMAR BROS.

Prof. J. A. Harris and his band opened with the Gollman Bros. circus in Baraboo, Wis., May 8th. The roster of the band is as follows: J. A. Harris trombone, Stevens Dewayne tuba, Elmer Scott baritone, Elmer Stuman alto, O. F. Wanser first cornet, Claud Williams solo cornet, William Carr solo cornet, W. R. Jackson bass drum, Sam Good snare drum. Kid Scott is featuring "When Grown Up Ladies Act Like Babies," and "I'll Raise an Army of My Own." He sends his regards to Kilmer and Eddie Jackson. Sam Good is featuring "Way Down in Arkansas." He is stage manager and has a nice bunch of boys. Walter Jackson sends his best regards to Eddie and Kilmer Jackson, his brother. Elmer Stinman is featuring "He's a Rag Picker." He sends his best regards to Thomas and Nathan Stinman, his brothers. Prof. J. A. Harris is all smiles. He sends his regards to Prof. Wolfscale, Roy Pope, Pop Adams and L. K. Baker. The bunch sends best regards to those in and out of the profession.

GIBSON'S NEW STANDARD THEATRE, PHILADELPHIA.

Atop of a vaudeville bill which measured up in every particular to the usual standard at Gibson's New Standard Theatre, Bradford and Jeanette, this week, are the principal delight. It is such acts as theirs that keep the three-a-day worth while. Miss Jeanette is an artist in her line and holds her partner up and more. First, she possesses a voice; second, she has a charm of manner. These gifts she blends in proportions which result in individuality which always charmed her audience in a manner to elicit many an applause during the week. There is comedy, eccentricity and even a touch of pathos in her assortment of songs, "Hallo Sweetheart" catching on at once. It was her hard work that put the team at the top of the bill as headliners for the week. McKissick and Craddock are back on the circuit again, appearing here in a series of eccentric song and dance numbers. The offering of Howell and Chadwick and company won hearty approval. They are supported by eight pretty girls, called the dancing imps, well proportioned, in short dresses and catch on immediately in their abundance of singing, dancing and comicalities before a well-pleased audience. Rollins and Douglass amused. Effie King and Nina Marshall offered a bright, snappy sketch which scored a laughing hit. They worked hard. The audience was tickled and they were encored. A novelty in itself was "Bob" the boxing kangaroo—to see a real live kangaroo do a number of difficult stunts in the boxing line, of course, made a hit at once. It was supported by the Gordon Brothers, who are pugilists of no mean character. The evening was made additionally enjoyable by the appropriate music, skillfully rendered by the orchestra, led by Mr. Charles Taylor in "Knock Out Drops," "Tears of Love Waltz," Hanako Intermezzo and Meadowbrook Trot. Exit."

J. H. Gray, 1221 Pine St., Philadelphia.

STRAY SHOTS FROM DENVER.

(By Chick Beaman.)

The week of the 5th inst., was a gala one for the big time acts playing here.

The Rea Club was the headquarters of Jim Stevens, of the well known team of Cook and Stevens, and his stay at this popular hostelry was one continuous round of pleasure. He had an open week between Denver and Kansas City. The temptation being so great in Denver, he fell. Cookie is sojourning farther down town.

The Reo Club is one first-class place catering to the elite and Mr. Page, the genial proprietor, is always there with the glad hand and pleasant smile. Jas. F. Clark, one of the best known Clubmen in the west, is the capable manager. Little Mikey is on the job every afternoon. Mike can entertain you on all topics. The writer has been royally entertained during his stay here. Met many friends of olden days, Mr. Pablo Wasikano and Al Houston being among the number.

RICHARD AND PRINGLE'S MINSTREL NOTES.

Now that farce comedy has had its day the public naturally turns to something light and refreshing to take its place and have found a happy choice in the minstrels when given by competent entertainers such as is always found with Richard and Pringle's Minstrels. Hence our big business with this company of the world's greatest exponents of genuine colored minstrels on the stage today, headed by Clarence Powell and others, of as much prominence, which includes Manzie Campbell, Sidney Kirkpatrick, D. D. Smith, Jerry Mills, etc. We are getting new people almost daily, since some of the winter people are taking a much needed rest, some of whom will return later to take up their duties for the winter season which opens officially August 5, with an entire new show to play over our old route. The show, as heretofore, will be written and staged by Jerry Mills, "the master producer."

Robt. (Sippi) Miller closed May 8th. He would like to hear from friends at 752 Hobert street, Memphis, Tenn.

Passing through Denver May 6th; had a pleasant visit with Sam Cook, of Cook and Stevens and Chick Beaman, an ex-Georgian. Both report doing well.

Whiten Viney went home on a two weeks' visit last week.

William Hoy trap drummer, Elmer Payne clarinetist, Richardson and Robinson, tenor singers, joined this week and all proved winners.

Sidney Kirkpatrick is very anxious to hear from Jack Johnson and Geo. Day. Business of importance.

Duck Collins is playing a nifty trombone solo in our noon concert and the natives always say "Best sliding trombone tooter I ever heard." He sends regards to McCannon and Eugene Michels.

JINGLES AND OTHERWISE.

Salem Tutt Whitney.

Salem Tutt Whitney, though his name has not begun sinking,
May we of thee ever keep thinking;
Father of the brave, thou art worthy of praise,
Children and men from town to town.
Crowd the city when Daddy S. T.'s around.

Questions about some Atlanta Friends.

If the Dixie Theatre was a city jail would Charel be bailiff (Charles B. Bailey).

When 81 Decatur street becomes the "String Beans Hotel" will Ed be Butler (Ed Butler, pianist).

If women were love letters could Lonnie read (Lonnie Reid).

If the Blues were dollars would Annie be gay (Annie Gay).

Business is pretty good in Pensacola, Fla., but we need a first class theatre for our people. Managers, get wise and open here or otherwise you will lose.

Love to Dan Michaels, of New York Follies and his bunch. Clarence Jones write. Address Melvina Edwards, Harrington, Fla.

THE FAMOUS DIXIE SERENADERS.

BALTIMORE, Md.—The Famous Dixie Serenaders under the management of Joseph T. Porter and the direction of J. Hubie Blake, the "Wizard of Syncopation," opened their 1915 season at River View, Saturday, May 8. The personel of this year's organization consists of last season's favorites, J. T. Porter cellist and floor man, and Frank Fowler Brown, tenor soloist, trap drummer, xylophone and bell soloist. The new members are G. W. Mason, violinist par excellence from New York; "Happy" Frank Abrams, basso and sensational banjorinist; J. H. Blake, at the piano, needs no introduction as he ranks with the best cabaret and dance orchestra pianist in the field. He is the composer of the famous Chevy Chase, fox trot. In the person of Noble Sissle, of Indianapolis, banjorinist and eccentric floor man, Mr. Porter introduced to Baltimore an entertainer who, with his versatile style, kept pace with the old favorites from the start. Mr. Sissle succeeds Russell Smith and was placed by Frank Brown, who is also from Indianapolis.

NOTES FROM WOLFSCALE'S BAND WITH BARNUM & BAILEY CIRCUS.

We are still in the state of Pennsylvania and we are having our share of rain, although business continues to be good. All are well and send regards to their friends in and out of the profession. Mr. Slim Mason, who is stage manager, has added another song number to his repertoire, "Goofer Dust," which is a big hit. Wm. Moorehead is singing "My Bird of Paradise" with much success. Mr. Kilmer Jackson, bass player, is still with the bunch and sends regards to his friends. All the boys are anxious to get to the middle states, as they are near their home and expect to make visits. The Wolfscale family and Mr. Ernest Smith will be at their old home when the show reaches St. Louis next month. Mr. Fred Garland sends best regards to Prof. Roy Pope and says to answer his letter. Earl Johnson sends regards to Jas. Conley. Prof. Wolfscale sends regards to Prof. Jas. Harris, Roy Pope and P. G. Lowery, and all friends.

A. G. ALLEN'S BAND ALL RIGHT.

In a recent write-up, a gentleman made mention of the fact that Mr. A. G. Allen's band was composed of a lot of ham fat musicians and tawa bums. I wish to state that this is a very broad assertion and I take great pleasure in replying to the profession and stating that I am around here and I'm not considered by the music world as a ham fat. I have been connected with two of the best negro bands in America and my record is there. Write the War Department, Washington, D. C. I don't believe this gentleman had any intention of reflecting on the ability of the musicians as much as it was intended for Mr. Allen. This I have nothing to do with, but I can say that the show is in good shape, the band is good as many others and things general are O. K. It is not a matter that I wish to retaliate in a personal way to this gentleman, but this articlel will serve to remind others of the fact that there is always good and better, and we should be sure we know of which we speak or write. My statement as to my having been connected with two of America's best negro bands does not signify the fact that it places me in the rank of a genius, but when I am around here I mean today I am around here as a business musician. Let us be careful in the future and not inflict any injury upon our brother musicians or performers because many of us who have the hammer swinging; remember if that hammer strikes something solid there is a recoil. Regards to friends in and out of the profession.

I am very respectfully,
J. ELMER MOORE,
Cornetist.

HUNTINGTON'S MIGHTY MINSTRELS.

(Pearl Moppin.)

We are in the state of Oklahoma doing very nicely and having lovely weather.

Our crack ball team received a drubbing at Hugo that will long be remembered. Went down to defeat in the tune of 16 to 2.

We are working hard now on the weak spots with good results. Have a white college team to play at Sulphur; may be of interest for some to known these parts are getting more sociable. We have a team of gentlemanly and clean ball players, keeping up to the standard of our ladies and gentlemen of the company who always have a smile and pleasant words. Our ladies are good, loyal rooters even when we are on the loosing end. Up-to-date we have won eleven and lost three games. Not so bad.

Miss Vordie Aldredge, of Idabel, was a pleasant visitor to the show while at Fort Towson for two days. Everything was lovely.

Our leading soubrette, Mrs. Remel Robinson, is getting hers nightly and takes care of all the leads with perfect ease. A. J. McFarland, our leading straight man, is one of the best and as an announcer he is in a class all alone. Hello Virginias. Chas. E. Rue sends regards to Prof. McCameron and Mose McQuitty and Bessy Gray. Mrs. Dora Saddler, formerly Miss Dora Brantley, is doing fine and sends regards to Miss Olive Atwood, Rust College, Holly Springs, Miss, and Misses Eva Jordan and Sadie Fordon, Jackson College, Jackson, Miss., who graduate this season. Wish them success and write her in care of the Freeman. C. H. Doyle sends regards to Prince Albert Gaines and Clotele Jones. I am doing nicely with my act and have several new tricks that are winners. Rastus Lee sends regards to Julia Matthews, Frank Keith and Julius Foxworth and says write.

Mrs. Mazie Davis wishes to be remembered to Edna Benbow.

Elwood Johnson would be pleased to hear from good, sober and reliable musicians at all times.

William Saddler sends his regards to Hamp Harper. Best to all.

S. H. DUDLEY TENDERED A BIRTHDAY PARTY—NOTHING SAID OF PATRICK.

Wednesday evening, May 12th was S. H. Dudley's birthday and he was tendered a grand banquet at the residence of Mrs. Ella Barnett. The menu consisted of an old-fashioned New Orleans gumbo. The chef was Mrs. Kenner, of Kenner and Williams. The guests present were J. H. Maxwell, Harris & Turner, William Hodgkins, Mrs. Ella Barnett the hostess, Miss Grace Morgan, Miss Desdemona Barnett, Lew W. Henry, Dr. Newsome and Anthony La Coon. After supper a whist game was launched by Messrs. Dudley, Harris, Kenner and Hodgkins, and after playing until 4 a. m. Dudley and Harris carried off the honors of 12 to 0. This left Mr. Kenner spellbound and he stopped talking once in life for the first time since I have known him. Next Thursday, May 20, there will be a big chili con carne feast. Jim Burris chef, S. H. Dudley head waiter and I am ashamed to publish the name of the dishwasher. Use your own judgment.

LEW W. HENRY.

JASPER, TEXAS.

A. G. Allen's Minstrels.

We are yet in the state of Texas and doing good business. Our bandmaster, Mrs. Arthur Lot, is getting along fine with his band. Wm. Wright, solo cornet; Shirley Hervy, cornet; L. Wilson, clarinet; Daddie Black, alto; McDuffey, trombone; Munch Williams, baritone; Sparks Brint, bass; D. A. Gibs, tuba; Charley Landen, snare drum; Page Tilman, bass drum. We want a cornet and trombone and one alto to join at once. Joe Norton, our stage manager, is giving the people some show for their money. When Brooks & Jinkens sing the song "My Own Rag," they bring the house down. Keith & Keith closed at Bessmary, Texas. The company sends regards tot tftriends in and out of the profession. Prof. Wm. Wright sends regards to the Huntington bunch and Joe White, of the Rabbitfoot company.

GILMER, TEXAS.

Rev. W. H. Howard, the pastor of the Gilgal church, was here on his regular day. Also had a visitor, Rev. Philips, from Miller Switch. Service was good. The collection was $18.00 and some few cents. Rev. W. L. Dilson is at the home carrying on his good work. He had some of the leading white citizens in his service this afternoon. R. Louis is at his regular appointment at Summerfield. -- Mrs. M. Parkeson, of Overton, visited Mrs. Wheat heirs a few days, and has returned home Wednesday. -- Mrs. Mary E. Bowers, of Gilmer, has been very sick. -- Mrs. Penky, of Texarkana, Tex., was brought in and her funeral was attended here by her sister and friends with grief. -- There are many good things could be done in Gilmer, if we would put forth an effort. -- A. Ingram is doing a good grocery business. -- R. Berry is doing good barber and restaurant business. -- Wm. Okney Bownes is doing good tailoring business. -- B. B. Learmar is doing good grocery business. -- Mr. Will Mathas is at the M. E. J. stand doing barber work. -- E. J. is doing good grocery business.

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----Always Take a Girl Named Daisy.
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----AT EVENING TIME, WHEN LONELINESS COMES 'ROUND.
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----Down in Chattanooga.
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----Daisies Won't Tell.
----Down at the Barbecue.
----EILEEN. (From Old Killarney.)
----EVERYTHING HE DOES JUST PLEASES ME.
----Flow Along, River Tennessee.
----FOR YOU.
----FOREVERMORE.
----Getting Mad Was Never Made for Us.
----Good Ship Mary Ann.
----Good-Bye, My Love, Good-Bye.
----Garland of Old-Fashioned Roses.
----Garden of Dreams. (Classic Ballad.)
----Garden of Roses. (Classic Ballad.-
----He's a Devil In His Own Home Town.
----HER ANSWER.
----He'd Have to Get Under, Get Out and Get Under to Fix His Automobile.
----HE'S COMING HOME ON THE EIGHT O'CLOCK TRAIN.
----He's a Rag Picker.
----I Love the Ladies.
----I MISS YOU JUST A LITTLE MORE EACH DAY.
----I'm a Fool Who Believed in You.
----I Miss You Most of All.
----I'm Crying Just for You.
----IF I COULD ONLY CALL YOU MINE.
----I'm On My Way to Mandalay.
----IF I SHOULD FIND ANOTHER BOY.
----International Rag. (Irving Berlin.)
----I Want to Go Back to Michigan.
----In the Valley of the Moon.
----I LOVE YOU BECAUSE YOU ARE YOU.
----If I Had Someone at Home Like You I Wouldn't Want to Go Out.
----I'll Do It All Over Again.
----I Want You All Day Long.
----I'm the Guy Who Paid the Rent for Mrs. Rip Van Winkle.
----I Wonder Where My Easy Rider's Gone?
----Isle D'Amour.
----DOWN IN DEAR OLD TENNESSEE.
----In the Candle Light.
----I HEAR THE OZARK MOUNTAINS CALLING ME.
----IF YOU LOVE ME, CALL ME SWEETHEART.
----Just for Tonight.
----JUST TO LOVE YOU.
----JUST A DREAM AT DAWN.
----Last Night Was the End of the World.
----Lonesome for You.
----My Long Lost Love.
----Dancing at the Georgia Jubilee.
----Let's Fill the Old Oaken Bucket With Love.
----My Croony Melody.
----MEMPHIS BLUES.
----MEET ME AT THE MEAT MARKET, WINNIE.
----Meet Me Where the Shadows Fall.
----MARY PICKFORD.
----MY HEART FOR YOU PINES AWAY.
----NIGHT TIME.
----NO ONE CAN TAKE YOUR PLACE
----On the Shores of Italy.
----Oh, My Love.
----OH, YOU IRRESISTIBLE CHILD.
----On the Banks of Lovelight Bay.
----Peg O' My Heart.
----PAL O' MINE.
----Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm.
----Rock Me In the Cradle of Love. (From Ziegfield's Follies.)
----Sit Down, You're Rocking the Boat.
----Sunshine and Roses.
----Sweet Bunch of Daisies.
----Silver Threads Among the Gold.
----SING ME THE ROSARY.
----SOME SWEET DAY. (From Wrong Mr. President.)
----SUE OF THE CUMBERLANDS.
----They Start the Victrolia; and Go Dancing Around.
----The High Cost of Loving.
----The Old Songs I Long to Hear.
----This Is the Life.
----THERE IS SOMEONE WHO IS THINKING OF YOU.
----The Trail of the Lonesome Pine.
----To Have, To Hold, To Love.
----That's How I Need You.
----Till the Sands of the Desert Grow Cold.
----Tales of Hoffman. (Beautious Night.)
----Tipperary Mary.
----The Rosary. (Sacred.)
----That International Rag.
----There's a Girl in the Heart of Maryland.
----Those Songs My Mother Used to Sing.
----THEN YOU WILL LOVE ME TOO.
----THAT MELODY WALTZ.
----When You Wore a Tulip and I Wore a Big Red Rose.
----When You Play the Game of Love.
----When You're a Long Way from Home.
----Who Paid the Rent for Mrs. Rip Van Winkle?
----While the Rivers of Love Flow On.
----While They Were Dancing Around.
----When I Dream of Old Erin.
----When I Lost You.
----Where the River Shannon Flows.
----WHEN YOU AND I WERE YOUNG, MAGGIE.
----What D'ye Mean You Lost Your Dog?
----Where the Red Red Roses Grow.
----WHEN YOU DREAM OF THE GIRL WHO DREAMS OF YOU.
----Why Did You Make Me Care?
----WHEN TWILIGHT COMES.
----When the Angelus Is Ringing.
----WHEN VESUVIUS LOSES ITS FIRE.
----When I Met You on Love Avenue.
----WHEN YOU DREAM OF THE GIRL.
----When It's Night Time Down in Burgundy.
----WILL YOU LOVE THEN AS NOW?
----We Stand for Peace.
----You Won My Heart.
----You Got to Be Kind to Me.
----You Broke My Heart to Pass the Time Awaw.
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HERE ARE THE FIRST RULES OF BASE BALL MADE 70 YEARS AGO.

New York.—An enthusiastic baseball fan arises to suggest that on September 23, of this year, the baseball magnates commemorate in some fashion the seventieth anniversary of the adoption of the playing rules which form the basis of the present code of the game. These rules, adopted by the Knickerbocker Association, of New York, in 1845, read as follows:

"The bases shall be from home to second base, forty-five paces; from first to third base, forty-two paces, equidistant.

"The game to consist of twenty-one counts, or aces (runs); but at the conclusion an equal number of hands (innings for each side) must be played.

"The ball must be pitched, not thrown, for the bat.

"A ball knocked out of the field, or outside the range of first or third base is foul.

"Three balls being struck at and missed, and the last one caught is a hand out; if not caught, is considered fair and the striker bound to run.

"If a ball be struck or tipped, and caught either flying or on the first bound it is a hand out.

"A player running the bases shall be out if the ball is in the hands of an adversary on the base or if the runner is touched with it before he makes his base; it being understood, however, that in no instance is a ball to be thrown at him.

"Three hands out, all out.

"Players must take their strikes in regular turn.

"All disputes and differences relative to the game to be decided by the umpire, from which there is no appeal.

"No ace (score) or base can be made on a foul strike.

"A runner can not be put out in making one base when a balk is made by the pitcher.

"But one base allowed when a ball bounds out of the field when struck."

WHAT'S DOING IN SPORT.

Bob Armstrong, the pugilist, is in town and has opened an ice cream saloon in the Globe Theatre building.

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Bob Armstrong, ex-trainer of Jack Johnson, has opened a soft drink establishment in the lobby of the New Globe theatre. He expects to train a local policeman who aspires to a match with Jesse Willard.

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Kid Grant, southern colored featherweight, challenges all boxers in his class. He prefers Leo Johnson, Jack Russell, Eddie Dorsey, Young Joe Gans and Darky Griffen. Address F. R. Grant, 7 Hacker's Alley, Charleston, S. C.

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KANSAS CITY—Joe Rivers, of Los Angeles, won a decision over Fighting Thorpe after ten tame rounds of boxing May 13th. There were not twenty clean blows struck during the engagement. Aggressiveness and superiority in the fighting gave Rivers a safe lead.

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NEW YORK—Federal Judge Hough handed down a decision holding that the admission into the United States of the moving picture film of the lightweight championship fight between Willie Ritchie and Freddie Welsh in London, England, last July, would be a violation of the Federal law.

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The Memphis Union Giants recently played the Birmingham team at Memphis. The Giants won by a score of 3 to 0. Batteries for Memphis, Roland and Webster; for Birmingham, Taylor and Johnson. Manager of Memphis would like to hear from good teams. Address 229 Ayers street.

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BENTON HARBOR, Mich.—Frankie Brennan, of Detroit, outpointed Jack Blackburn, of Philadelphia, in their scheduled ten-round bout here, fighting on comparatively even terms in the early rounds. Brennan took the aggressive later and forced the battle to the black's corner, but by clever ducking and blocking the Philadelphia lad succeeded in stalling off his opponent when things became too dangerous.

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NEW YORK.—Matt Wells and valet were among the passengers who arrived on board the Saxonia, of the Cunard line. Wells is a well known British pugilist, who has come here particularly to take the measure of Packey McFarland. Wells made this fact known long before the vessel left quarantine.

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Billy Greene, 158 lbs., Kansas City, Mo., is anxious to meet some good boys in his class. He would like to take on Jack Hannibal, of Indianapolis. He says he will make weight to engage One Round Bess. He is known in Indianapolis and vicinity. Willard F. Greene, 2114 Bales avenue, Kansas City, Mo.

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MILWAUKEE.—Jack Kearns, manager of Billy Murray, middleweight; Red Watson, lightweight, and Joe Bonds, light heavyweight, closed a contract through Tom Andrews to take his entire string of fighters to Australia, leaving June 8 by steamer Sonoma from San Francisco. Ray Temple, lightweight, may join the party.

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Kid Grant, classy colored featherweight boxer of Charleston, S. C., is willing to meet any boy in the game at from 126 to 130 pounds. He has boxed such good ones as Jeff Davis, undefeated colored lightweight champion of United States navy and pride of the Charleston navy yard; Fighting Brown, Battling Stanley, Charley Cooper, featherweight title holder Brish and Endlind; Eddie Coleman, and many others. Matchmakers and promoters in southern states address his manager, F. R. Grant, 7 Hackens street, Charleston, S. C. The Kid is also now appointed the state agent for the Freeman paper for Charleston, S. C. You can get it in Charleston, S. C., at 7 Hackers street.

LEO PATTERSON DRAWS WITH BATTLING BALL—ST. LOUIS, MO.

Leo Patterson, the clever colored featherweight and Battling Ball, light weight champion of St. Louis, fought six fierce rounds to a draw last Saturday night at the South St. Louis Rowing Club. The 400 members, which turned out to see the bout, were well pleased as both boys fought hard from start to finish.

MUST HAVE FIGHT CERTIFICATE —NOTHIN' DOIN' UNLESS YOU BRING THE PROPER CREDENTIALS.

NEW ORLEANS, May 15.—New Orleans's new city law that fighters cannot enter the ring without a certificate from a reliable physician, was invoked for the first time last night, and as a result the bouts scheduled for the Northside Athletic Club were postponed until next Thursday night.

Johnny Tholmer was to meet five black fighters, in three rounds each. Eddie Palmer was to fight Charley Mitchell. None had certificates from Coroner O'Hara. They could not fight without them, ruled the police.

THE GREAT SPEEDWAY EVENT.

With the great 500-mile race at the speedway only a little more than a week off, the speedway has become a scene of bustle and excitement. There is a feverish anxiety on the part of several of the drivers, who are working almost night and day to get their fliers in tune for the elimination trials next week. With the trials a week ahead of the big race, several of the pilots find themselves pinched for time.

There will be forty-one cars on the track for the trials, and of this number eight will be eliminated by the officials, leaving the maximum of thirty-three to start in the dash for the greatest laurels in the motor world. This year the officials of the speedway have set a speed of eighty miles an hour as the minimum in the elimination trials. This means that the cars that qualify will have to make a complete circuit of the track in 1 minute 52½ seconds. Last year the minimum speed in the elimination was seventy-five miles, or a complete circuit of the track in 2 minutes. If more than thirty-three cars qualify in the time trials, the thirty-three fastest ones will be selected for the race.

KID GRANT.

Crack colored boxer, who issues a challenge to all 128 to 133 pound boxers The Kid prefers Young Joe Gans, "Darkie" Griffin, Leo Johnson, Leo Patterson and Jack Russell. Matchmakers and promoters address 7 Hackers street, Charleston, S. C.

KID GRANT, FEATHERWEIGHT—BATTLES.

Kid Grant was born May 10, 1893. His height is 5 feet 3 inches. ranges from 126 to 130 lbs.; color, black. He first took to boxing at age of 18 years old winning the 125 lb. amateur championship of Charleston, S. C.

Amateur Boxing.

1910—K. O. Willie Jones, 1 round; draw, Kid Burnwell, 8 rounds; won, Davy Smith, 4 rounds; L. F., Eddie Nelson, 6 rounds; K. O., Dave Smith, 3 rounds; draw, Charlie Smith, 4 rounds. 1911—W. F., Jackie Wilson, 4 rounds; police stopped bout 7th round to save Young Ganley; Young Gans, K. O., 1 round; Ball Bailey, W. F., 4 rounds; Tommy Grantly, K. O., 1 round; championship bout, Young McNeil, lost, K. O. 7 rounds for amateur championship of S. C. 1912—Black Kid Williams, draw, 10 rounds; Buddy Griffin, K. O., 1 round; Jack Williams, L. F., 3 rounds; Dick Wells, lost, 6 rounds; Eddie Martin, 4 rounds, N. D.; Jas. Wavis, L. D., 6 rounds; Charles Green, 10 rounds, N. D.

Professional Boxing.

1913—Jan. 3, Kid Smith, K. O., Charleston, 3 rounds; Jan. 14, Johnny Wilson, N. D., Charleston, 10 rounds; Jan. 29, Young Gans, W. F., Charleston, 9 rounds; Feb. 12, Jackie Moody, L. D., Charleston, 6 rounds; Feb. 27, Charlie Green, won, Charleston, 7 rounds; Mar. 26, Joe Davis, won, Charleston, 10 rounds; Mar. 31, Joe Davis, L. D., Charleston, 10 rounds; April 5, Peter Sanders, W. F., Charleston, 10 rounds; May 19, Frankie Gilvan, N. D., Atlanta, 10 rounds; July 4, Young Smith, K. O., Atlanta, 2 rounds; July 15, Walter Brown, N. D., Atlanta, 8 rounds; Aug. 12, Young Battling Mitchell, K. O., Miss, 1 round. 1914—Feb. 13, Young Brown, won, Columbus, 10 rounds; Feb. 27, Geo. Wilson, L. D., Columbus, 10 rounds; Mar. 26, Eddie Watson, W. F., Columbus, 10 rounds; Mar. 30, Phil Bevins, K. O.. claims sparring partner of late Joe Gans, Jacksonville, K. O., 3 rounds; July 4, Kid Williams, won, Cincinnati, 9 rounds; Aug. 3, Sailor Brooks, K. O., Columbus, 3 rounds; Aug. 10, Battling Hayard, W. F., Joplin, Mo., private, 3 rounds; Aug. 21, Fighting Johnson, L., Charleston, police stopped, 6 rounds; Sept. 14, Geo. Wilson, N. D., Columbia, 10 rounds; Oct. 20, Jeff Davis, won, Charleston, 10 rounds; Nov. 6, Fighting Brown, L. D., Charleston, 6 rounds; Dec. 25, Battling Stanley, K. O., Charleston, 5 rounds; Dec. 30, Willie Johnson, N. D., Charleston, 10 rounds. 1915—Eddie Coleman, L. D., Charleston, 8 rounds; Feb. 22, Charlie Cooper, N. D., Charleston, 6 rounds; Mar. 5, Charlie Cooper, N. D., Charleston, 6 rounds; Mar. 16, Jim Brooks, Exb., Charleston, 4 rounds.

SAYS LAW IS GOOD.

NEWARK, N. J.—The federal statute barring the importation of motion pictures of prize fights was held to be constitutional by Judge Haight in the United States district court here. Lawrence Weber had brought suit, alleging the act unconstitutional, in an effort to bring the pictures of the Johnson-Willard fight into the country through the local port. The decision will be appealed.

MAROONS TO TACKLE TEAMS OF JAPAN.

CHICAGO—University of Chicago baseball players will make a five months' trip to Japan playing oriental college nines. The university athletic board of control yesterday voted to allow the athletes to accept the invitation from the universities of Tokio.

A dozen players will go to the far east, led by coach Pat Page and Captain Dolly Gray. Three members of the present conference team—Spike Shull, pitcher; Bill McConnell, first baseman, and Harry Flood, outfielder—will be unable to go because of their versatility in athletics. The three are football players, and their services will be required by coach Stagg when the gridiron call is issued next autumn.

HENRY BUTLER OF TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL A WINNING SPRINTER.

At the twelfth annual track and field meet of the Indiana State High School Athletic Association May 15th two state records were established in the long runs. Butler of Technical High School of Indianapolis, raced the 880-yard run in 2:06, a second faster than Marchal of Gas City did it in 1909. Butler is a negro lad and is now the hero of the school. He is deserving of all the credit given him. John Nay, a senior in Sheridan high school, established a new mark in the mile run, the time being 4:44 4-5, as compared with 4:45 1-5, posted by Newlin of Manual Training, which has stood since 1909.

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New Orleans, La.

Sporting Editor.

Dear Sir—It is really amusing to read of the different boys claiming the colored lightweight championship when they have never boxed in a championship match. You can't win a title in a six or ten round newspaper decision fight. You must go over the route for at least twenty rounds. Of course, I don't blame the managers for claiming their meal tickets a champion as we all need a boost in this game.

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I trust that you will be so good as to enlighten the public through your worthy columns of who is today the real lightweight champion of the world.

Thanking you for this courtesy and assuring you of my appreciation, I am,

Very respectfully,

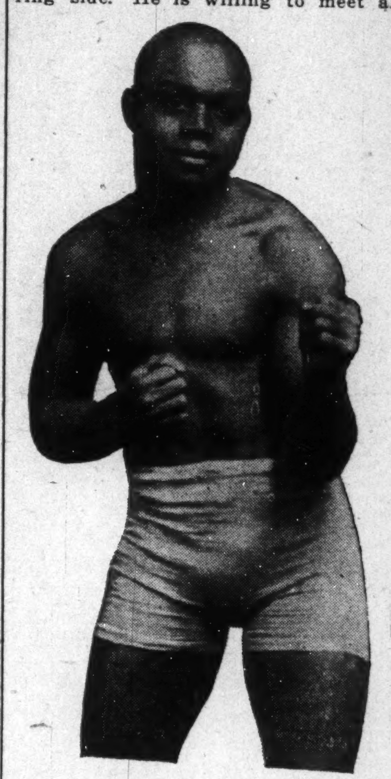
LEO JOHNSON,

Colored Lightweight Champion.

JACKIE MOORE HAS OUTGROWN THE FEATHERWEIGHT DIVISION.

Sporting Editor of Freeman.

Jackie Moore, Ohio colored featherweight, has outgrown featherweight division and is now a lightweight. Jackie is not a full lightweight. His weight in fight togs is 131 pounds. Jackie will meet all lightweights at 133 pounds ring side. He does not mean 135 at 3 o'clock or 138 pounds ring side. He is willing to meet all boys in the world at 133 ring side which is the lightweight limit. Moore is one of the best colored lightweights developed since days of Joe Gans. He hits hard and is very clever with it. He will visit New Orleans, where Promotor Lutz of North Side Athletic will stage Leo Johnson, colored lightweight champion of South, and Jackie, the lightweight champion of Ohio. Will meet in 20 round bout for colored lightweight championship of world. Jackie has good habits, neither drinks, chews or smokes, and is very easily managed. S. E. Bean, manager.



BROWNSVILLE (TENN.) NOTES.

It came on the 14th. The Dunbar high school concert, and it was one grand affair, and the pupils show that Prop. J. R. Glostes and the teachers of the school spared no pains in training. Those who took part and all of the songs and sayings, were well rendered. The ones most worthy of praise were the singing of little Miss Mabel Toliferro Hayward Harbert. She has a good voice and knows how to put a song over and if she keeps it up will be heard elsewhere, and from the way that Waldine Lee led the drill it must be said if the United States should declare war and call upon the ladies she would be a captain sure. Albert Dixon was funny, and we must give to Robert Lynk. He looked the part and did well.

Mrs. Mary W. Crosby has been sick in bed the last two weeks, but she is able to be up and around the house and her many friends hope to soon see her back on the job. Jas. Crosby will be seen in Dallas, Texas, in a few days.

If you want to know, read the Freeman and keep posted. Get it from Crosby.

Get in The Freeman contest. Read instructions elsewhere in this issue.

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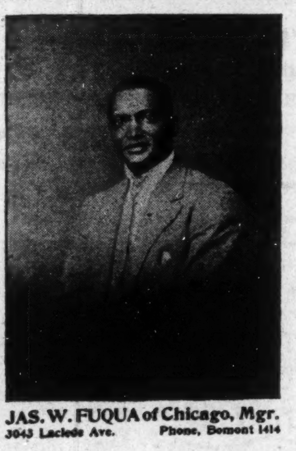

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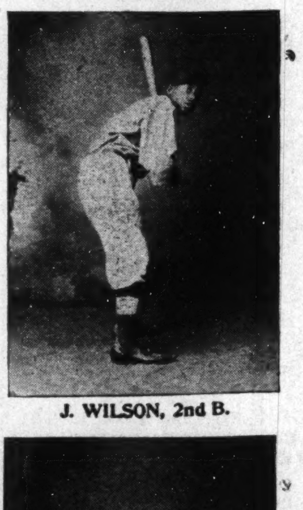

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AT EAST ST. LOUIS.

EAST ST. LOUIS GIANTS.

	H	PO	A	E	R
Green, 3b	0	1	1	0	1
St. James, 1b	1	12	1	1	0
August, ss	0	2	3	1	0
A. Smith, 2b	1	2	1	1	1
McGee, cf	1	3	1	0	0
Branock, rf	0	3	0	0	0
Neal, lf	2	1	2	0	0
Ford, c	1	1	2	0	0
J. Smith, p	0	2	2	0	0
Totals	6	27	13	3	2

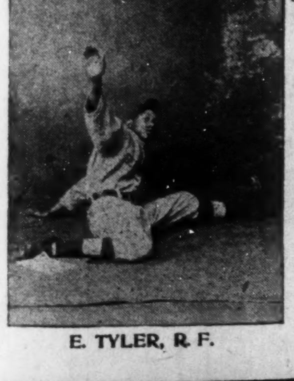
ST. LOUIS CUBS.

	H	PO	A	E	R
Tyler, 2b	1	2	4	0	0
Coleman, ss	0	1	2	0	0
Bostoc, lf	1	2	1	0	1
Hutt, 1b	3	10	1	0	2
Coons, cf	0	1	0	0	0
Quincy, rf	0	0	0	0	0
Shafer, 3b	2	1	1	1	0
Mall, c	1	7	4	1	1
C. White, p	2	3	10	0	1
Totals	10	27	23	2	5

										R	H	E
St. Louis Cubs	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	1	5	10	2
East St. Louis Giants	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	6	3

Three-base hits—Neal, Hutt and White. Two-base hits—Neal and Hutt, 2. Stolen bases—A. Smith, Coleman and White. Bases on balls—Off J. Smith, 3; off White, 1. Struck out—By J. Smith, 5; by White, 14. Umpires—Davis and Morgan. Attendance—700. Time—1:55.

The features of the game were the hitting of Hutt and the fielding of Tyler, and White striking out fourteen men.



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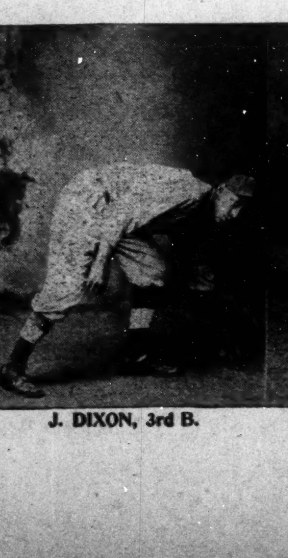

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Notable among the waists at **$5.95** are the hand-embroidered garments and those of net and lace. Many elaborate with insertions of Venice and Val laces.

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CITY AND VICINITY.

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Mr. Elijah Hammond Steward of Lafayette, Ind., was mingling with friends last week.

Dr. H. L. Hummons and family moved Monday into their home in North California street

Miss Lulu Neal, of New Albany, Ind., is the honored guest of Mrs. Jennette Willis, of 538 Roanoke street.

Eva C. Johnston will visit Shelbyville next Tuesday in the interests of The Freeman, which publication she represents.

Mrs. John Puryear went to Chicago last week to be a guest of Mrs. T. A. Smythe, whose husband, the Rev. T. A. Smythe, is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Timberlake have returned from a visit in Muncie with Mrs. Timberlake's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Taylor Pierson.

The Clever Woman's club entertained at a reception and guest evening last Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Freeman. A number of guests made short talks.

Arrangements have been made for Miss Janet Flanner to take charge of the Camp Fire Girls of the Flanner Settlement House during the absence of the guardian, Miss Majors.

Mr. Wm. Hampton left Tuesday of this week for California and Salt Lake City, Utah. He went in the interest of his auto tire business and will return in the next thirty days.

Mrs. Walter Price, Mrs. A. S. Simms and Miss Frances M. Berry will appear on the program before the state convention on Federated Colored Clubs which convenes in Marion the last week in May.

Mr. F. E. DeFrantz, physical director of the Y. M. C. A., left for Kansas City last Thursday to spend his vacation. His classes will be in charge of J. M. Benson, assisted by the boy leaders.

May day exercises will be held at the Charles Sumner school May 28. Exercises will be held at the McCoy school May 21 and at School No. 26 the same day. The exercises at School No. 17 will take place June 4.

Mrs. Elizabeth Kuykendall entertained the Woman's club last Monday at the home of Mrs. James Hodge in North West street. The meeting this week was held with Mrs. Marshall at the home of her son, in Paca street.

The Pride of Allen Sunday school class, under the direction of its teacher, Mrs. Katherine Samuels, will give a benefit recital at the church May 31. The program will be given by Miss Elenor Blakemore, a reader, of Anderson.

Mrs. Myrtle Robinson, who formerly taught a class in crocheting and handwork in Night School No. 17, opened a class in this work Monday afternoon at the Walker assembly hall. The class will be a part of the industrial work of the education department of the Y. W. C. A.

Mrs. Mary Beck left last Thursday for Champaign, Ill., to visit her niece, Miss Selma Beck, a senior in the University of Illinois. She was accompanied by Miss Anna Wells and Mrs. William Alexander. They attended a number of the college social functions and returned Sunday.

F. I. Willis, president of the Chamber of Commerce, will be the speaker for the first of the series of educational meetings on the last Sunday in each month by the Society of Ethical Culture. Miss Blanch Chenault, Miss Adelaide Thornton and the Y. M. C. A. quartet will take part on the program.

Mrs. John Farr, who is running in the contest for "May Queen" of the annual fair and carnival which will be held at Tomlinson Hall, on May 24 and 25 for the benefit of the Lincoln Hospital, the Alpha Home and all charitable institutions, will appreciate votes from friends any readers of this paper. All votes are five cents each. Take as many as you like.

MRS. DUNGEY URGES PUBLIC FOR CONTINUED HELP IN STAR CONTEST.

Mrs. Sadie B. Dungey, out of city on business, asks the public to continue assisting her in the Star contest, in her absence, for she is in the race and must win by the assistance of the people.

SPIRITUALIST CHURCHES.

The vice president of the Indiana State Association of Spiritualist churches, Mr Hauger, was present and gave quite a lengthy and appreciative talk to the crowded house at Madam Meadows Church on Fulton street last Monday night, after giving out several messages. Madame Meadows, after her sermon, which was "Doubting Thomas," gave 59 messages from the passed out and all were recognized. Everybody is welcome and many are turned away for the want of seating space.

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A. M. E. ZION CHURCH.

Sunday is Rally Day and each member is urged to pay one dollar at almost any sacrifice. Rev. W. H. Weaver, D.D., will speak in the morning and Dr. D. P. Roberts in the afternoon and Prof. G. L. Hayes in the evening.

The clubs will report consecutively beginning at No. 1 and going through and the auxilliaries at night. Each club is expected to report not less than $10.00 and each auxilliary not less than $15.00. Let's strive to make this a great and grand rally.

Dinner will be served in the dining rooms.

Monday night will be a great baby contest given under the auspices of Mrs. Kennedy's and Julia Williams Club. $2.50 will be given as first prize, and there will be also second and third prizes.

Tuesday night there will be a grand star concert given by Prof. T. L. P. H. Davis and you must not fail to hear it.

Wednesday night Lawn Fete and Fish Fry by Mrs. L. B. Hamilton, a daughter of conference at 626 Blake street.

Thursday night the last general class and love feast.

Friday night, quarterly conference.

ODD FELLOWS HOLD THEIR ANNUAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE.

Sermon by Rev. W. H. Nixon, D.D., of Selma, Ala.

The Grand United Order of Odd Fellows held their annual Thanksgiving services at Bethel A. M. E. church at 2 p. m. Sunday, May 9. The services at the church were preceded by a splendid street parade headed by Clay's band, after which came the Patriarchie under command of Capt. Robert Genus; then came the members of the Juvenile societies and the Past Master's Council and the subordinate lodges, in the order named.

The members of the order turned out in full and the street parade was the most imposing ever seen in this city. The parade was in charge of Capt. Jacob Porter, who received many compliments for the splendid manner in which he handled the large parade. At the hour appointed for the service, Bethel church was filled to overflowing and many were unable to gain admission.

The Thanksgiving sermon was preceded by a short program consisting of addresses, papers and solos. The Thanksgiving sermon was preached by the Rev. W. H. Mixon, D.D., of Selma, Ala., whose fame as an orator had preceded him and which accounted for the evercoming audience present.

Dr. Mixon was introduced by Dr. Robert F. Harper, master of ceremonies, who spoke at length of Dr. Mixon's connection and great influence for good on the educational, religious and fraternal activities of our race and especially of the splendid services that he has rendered the G. U. O. of O. F. in the past.

Dr. Mixon took for his text, Isaiah 60:8. He was evidently at his best and preached a soul stirring sermon, a sermon which was an inspiration and a delight to all who heard it; and at the close of the services many were heard to express the hope that we would be fortunate enough to secure the services of Dr. Mixon again in the near future.

Dr. Mixon arrived in the city Friday, May 7, and on the afternoon and evening of this day, a reception was given in his honor at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. C. Willis, and many of the members of the order and their families availed themselves of that opportunity to met and form the acquaintance of Dr. Mixon.

On Monday, May 11, Dr. Mixon lectured to a large and appreciative audience at Bethel church, at the close of which many in the audience rushed to the platform to shake Dr. Mixon's hand and wish him God-speed and a safe return to his home in the Southland.

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(By J. J. Thomas, 1603 N. 7th St.)

Special to The Freeman.

PADUCAH, Ky., May 20.—Again and again it has been said that 'you never get too old to learn—learn even when you are old." The following may be considered a verification: Not long since, Summer High Evening School, of which Prof. Jas. L. Usher is principal, held its graduating exercises, giving diplomsa to a good number of knowledge-seeking men and women. The school's motto is "Pursue knowledge all through life, in youth and in old age." Since the age of some of the graduates is from 21 to 50 years, it is clearly demonstrated that the above motto has been faithfully upheld. One among the graduates is Mrs. Harriett Fowler, 4114a Finney, who when sitting at her desk and reciting in Lincoln High School here was known as Miss Harriett Lacy. The highest mark of percentage for interest in work, good behavior, regular attendance and general deportment, was credited to Miss Harriett's card.

This commercial school mentioned is one of the best in the "Show Me" state, St. Louis, Mo. Mrs. Harriett is the possessor of several diplomas, which shows that she is not satisfied with a little knowledge, but strives to get more. Bookkeeping, shorthand, typewriting and arithmetic are some of the subjects taught.

Paducah is glad to claim Mrs. Fowler as one of its former and intelligent citiens.

Please don't compare Mrs. Fowler's age to those of the above reading, as it is a long, long way to the celebration of Mrs. Fowler's fiftieth birthday.

The classmates of Lincoln High School wish Mrs. Harriett Fowler every success, at home at 4114a Finney, and on her travels.

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During the past years colored boys have hopped bells at the Palmer House, giving good service, but since early April, when the new management went into effect, white boys have taken the bells and the colored boys hopped "out." It is said that the misconduct of the colored hoppers caused their dismissal.

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Our "Paducah Sterlings" are putting on a little more "Sterling" at each game. It was just lately, or the week of April 18, that the "Sterlings" played Dyersburg, Tenn, winning one and losing one. After playing Dyersburg they took two from Memphis. This is how they did it:

—At Dyersburg—

First Day—

Dyersburg	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 0
Sterlings	1 2 0 3 0 1 2 0 1—1 10

Battery—Sterlings—Polk and Morris.

Second Day—

Dyersburg	0 1 0 2 0 0 0 1 1—1
Sterlings	2 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 0—4

Battery—Sterlings—Polk and Jones.

—At Memphis—

First Day—

Sterlings	3 2 1 2 0 0 0 2 1—2
Memphis	0 0 0 2 0 0 1 0 0—2

Batteries—Sterlings—Polk and Morris. Memphis—Rat and "Little Boy."

Second Day—

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Sterlings	0 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0—2
Memphis	0 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0—2

Batteries—Sterlings—Hale and Polk. Memphis—A. Dee and Rat.

One day at Cairo, May 16—

	R	H
Sterlings	0 0 0 2 0 0 2 1 2—6	7
Cairo	0 0 2 0 0 0 0 1 1—4	4

Batteries—Sterlings—Polk and Morris. Cairo—Eddie and Dee.

The Paducah Sterlings have not only made good this season as real ball players, but their conduct on and off the diamond has been quite commendable. They indulge in no squabbling or exciting arguments, but obey Captain Meredith and bring in the scores. Even ladies, with their peculiar timidness, can enjoy the Sterlings' games and receive every courtesy due them. Manager A. Strauss, at 114 Kentucky avenue, is ready and willing to book any reliable team.

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You bet "Old Paduke" is certainly proud of her Sterlings. Go see them play!

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Prof. Joseph B. F. Prather, of Georgia, after successfully filling the vacancy as principal of Lincoln High School caused by the resignation of Prof. G. W. Jackson, who is now serving in a similar capacity in Louisville, has been elected principal of Lincoln High. The Board of Education met Tuesday afternoon and elected the following instructors: Prof. Joseph B. F. Prather, principal Lincoln High School; Prof. T. D. Hibbs, principal Garfield School; teachers, Misses Manie J. Ganaway, Cora Bradshaw, Lurena B. Hamilton, Georgia Jones, Rena L. Machen, Vashti E. Clarke, Susie D. Kivel, Henrietta Woodson, Ethel Jackson, and Mesdames Maggie Pearson, Minnie Hall, Laura Hibbs, Sallie V. Lowery and Prof. J. L. Hamilton.

Superintendent Bentley's report regarding the census of 1915 showed a gain of 958 over last year.

Many compliments were handed to both Professor Hibbs and Mr. James A. Buford for their timely and efficient census taking of the colored schools.

All city schools are busy making ready for the closing exercises, which are to be given in early June. The date of commence will be given in the next issue of this paper.

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Mr. W. E. Stringfellow, a graduate of Lincoln High School, and a student of Meharry College, Nashville, praises our local weekly colored paper very highly, and urges all race loving and enterprising citizens to subscribe to it, "The Light House." Mr. Stringfellow is a good judge of Negro journalism and puts the praise where it should be placed.

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It's the town talk—the "All Star K. of P. Minstrels!" You'd better go with this jolly bunch to Metropolis Monday, May 24, and get your money's worth. Read their ad; buy your ticket!

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Mr. Marion Lunderman, after attending the State University at Louisville, is now at home at 825 Jones street.

Miss Augusta Dady, of Mayfield, and Miss Christa Dobson, of Smithland, were recent visitors of Mrs. Pauline Rice, 423 Gogel avenue.

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Cupidism.

Rev. V. S. Smith performed the wedding ceremonies Thursday that united in holy wedlock Miss Birdie Lowery and Mr. Will Thomas.

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Mr. J. W. Gaskins, of Greenville-Campbellsburg, Miss., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Henry Gaskins, and Mrs. Will Campbell, 720 Clark street.

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Dr. V. J. Davis returned last Thursday from the State Medical Association at Louisville. He reports an interesting and well attended meeting.

Rev. C. G. Rowlett, pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Ninth and Burnett streets, returned on last Wednesday from Louisville, where he attended the Federation of the Cumberland Presbyterian and Old School Presbyterian and the Presbyterian U. S. A. Churches.

The Rev. and Mrs. Barbara Bradley left Thursday to attend the Cumberland Presbyterian Assembly at Newbern, Tenn.

Rev. C. H. Hardison, of Evansville, Ind., preached a reviving sermon at the Presbyterian church lately. Rev. Crim, of Illinois, also delivered an excellent sermon last Wednesday night at the same house of worship. They departed Thursday for the C. P. Assembly.

Mr. William Robertson, choirmaster of the C. P. Church, will spend Sunday in Newbern, Tenn.

Our Rev. B. L. Ivory, pastoring Harrison Street Baptist Church, was invited to preach the annual thanksgiving sermon of the K's of P. and Courts of Calanthe at the C. M. E. Church at Princeton, Ky. The friendship of Damon and Pythias was compared to that of David and Jonathan.

The congregation of the Baptist Church, of which Rev. Levels is pastor, listened to Rev. Ivory at their church at 11 o'clock the same morning. The Reverend left Princeton at 5 p. m. and preached to his own congregation in the evening.

Mothers' Day was observed last Sunday at the Baptist churches of the city.

The 11 o'clock services at Washington Street Baptist Church were especially interesting. Beautiful songs were sung and the beneficial talk by Miss Mamie J. Ganaway was worthy of much praise. Mrs. Lither Gunn read an excellent paper.

Mr. Bud Yarbo has opened Rowlandtown Park and invites the public to visit the open air resort and partake of its amusements.

Club life will be published in our next.

DALLAS, TEXAS, NEWS

(Freeman Headquarters, 2922 Cochran Street, Phone Haskell 6956. By Col. J. G. Griffin.)

The searchlight was turned on and many things done here and there by men and women of the race, will make up sensational and startling items for a world of anxious readers. The past week's calender was a filled one and several final conflicts are yet fresh in the minds of the people of the ransom host who have failed to accomplish what was sought after in church, lodge and society. For the people marveled and heard not and so far it is only past history so far as some are concerned. The Lord, church and salary is a topic these days on the streets. The K. of P. temple talk by State Grand Chancelor Prince on his annual visit to the courts and lodges last Monday night, were tame to those stalwarts of Pythians who have and are doing things for that grand old order. Here it was far from pleasing. But waiting a blessed day when there will enter courts and sir knights to take the orders straight, when scribes and father time will no longer delay a waiting throng—and take the liberty to here thank one and all for the support given me in the interest of this publication. In these years of toil for all the people who feel that our purpose is to assist in building up for the race, the very best of news each week, clean and fresh items of interest concerning things of importance. Yet there are hundred of our professional people whose only support is from the negroes who work at the range.

Butlers, porters, yardmen, hostlers, teamsters, waiters, shopboys, cooks, maids and other unskilled laborers, have been four-flushed on by the lawyer, teacher, doctor, preacher and all those in business of various kinds. We have them right here in Dallas, who owe for this paper and will not pay, and we have those who will talk their race pride to a stranger when one comes to Dallas, but not in the hearing of the Freeman man, because he knows them too well. This will show where some of them stand on their loyalty to the race's best paper, and they have had the invitation extended from time to time to become subscribers.

There are three school teachers, and they are female, who are subscribers to the Freeman. Not one male teacher in all of greater Dallas. Doctors, four out of the large number here, who must be supported by the race and in return owe it to literature of the very best, are subscribers. Lawyers in Dallas do not read the Freeman. Our preachers. We have two who have the Freeman in their homes each week. The other preachers here have only promised only too often. It is up to any of these who are not supporters to give as a reason to any publication their reasons. We note that some of them owe us. But that does not prevent them from paying cash and reading one each week just the same and paying on the debt as times get better.

Note the difference at the cafes, at the barbershops, bars, rooming houses, hotels, pool halls, laborer's homes, the shining stands and individual polishers, yardmen, cooks, waiters, porters, pantrymen and every class of unskilled laborers, who all use the Freeman weekly.

I leave this to you of the public to inquire about in your rounds. It is worth the while to ask and see for yourself. You will find the Freeman at Hoopers and Williamson's drugstores, Smith's Shining stands and the Bryant Fount.

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Dr. R. L. Langford is at home from Carsicona, where he assisted in a big revival there the past three weeks.

Mrs. A. W. Mitchell of Fort Worth and Mrs. R. Chambers of Terrell are house guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Brackine, 3206 Flora street.

Mrs. William Hardin is visiting her brother and family, Mr. Daniel Andrews, in Chicago.

The word goes down the line for improvements for the negro department in the city hospital, also fifteen big arc lights in various parts of the colored districts. The grounds are cleared and cleaned and are ready to be laid off for the park and play grounds for negro children.

Dr. Carr has closed his revival at Bethel A. M. E. church, where many joined and are now in the harness for the Saviour.

Cut out your promise to the Freeman man and let your coin work.

It is Mr. and Mrs. Dr. G. H. Wyaman these days. Here is ours doctor, you put it by the bunch. But Bully knew it all right, all right.

Messrs. Jim Price, Columbus, and Bishop Johnson, Frank Mullins, Lem Holmes, Lem Talbert, Frank Hendricks and Dane Lowe, B. H. Harris, George Parry and brother graced front seats at church last Sunday at 11 o'clock services, where Dr. Lankford, the pastor, preached to the porters of Dallas and a large audience was there to hear the sermon, which promises to be a master piece of eloquence.

Mrs. Clarence Neal visited the bedside of her mother-in-law.

Negro business places should be just as inviting to the members of the race as the white man's place and the goods be of the same quality and price.

A large crowd greeted the folklore 500 hundred voices last Tuesday night at the Coliseum fair park.

The race must stand for more than show and words and hot air.

Fishing is the order these days.

Work is opening up and the law is questioning all idlers.

The high school baseball team is getting out of that five-score hole. They are winning some games.

Col. C. C. Wiggins and wife will visit the Panama-Pacific exposition next month for an indefinite stay.

A few of the Mecca crew at No. 2 reads the Freeman. They like it.

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WHEREABOUTS WANTED.

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of John Mayo will please communicate with his sister, Mrs. Frances E. Renler, 3100 West Grand avenue, Des Moines, Iowa. May 22.

HOTEL FOR SALE.

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INFORMATION WANTED.

Concerning the whereabouts of Mrs. Ella Galbreth. When last heard of she lived on Forest avenue, between 17th and 18th street, in Kansas City, Mo. Any one knowing of her whereabouts will do a great favor by addressing Mrs. Lula Warren, 2113 East Cadiz street, Dallas Texas. Business of value awaits her. May 22

Occultism, secret books, oriental luck loadstones, magnetic sand, medicines, spanish needle, horiscopes, etc., calalogue 10 cents. Prof. R. D. Wester, Box 131, Montgomery, Ala. May 29.

INFORMATION WANTED.

Polly Palmer, of Toledo, Ohio, at 29 South Erie street, would like to know the whereabouts of his brother, "Dan" Palmer.

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Will Arrive June 1.

Miss Martha Bailey, sister of Mrs. Haley, 3516 South Wabash Avenue, will arrive in the city from Flint, Mich., June 1, to be in the city for some time during the summer. Miss Bailey finished hair dressing and manicuring at one of Chicago's leading Beauty Parlors, in the "loop" district last year, and comes to finish all the course. She returned to her home and has been successfully practicing her trade among the rich people of her city. While here last summer she made many friends and will be entertained highly in the "Windy City."

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Mr. J. R. Contee Passes Through City.

Mr. J. R. Contee of Denver, Colo., passed through the city on Monday of this week en route to Washington, D. C., to see his relatives. He is president and manager of the leading undertaking establishment of Denver and has been connected with one of the National Banks for thirty-two years. Mr. Contee had breakfast at the Wabash Avenue Association and inspected the building.

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Mr. E. W. Washington Returns Home.

Mr. E. W. Washington of Indianapolis, Ind., returned home on Saturday evening of last week. While here he stopped at the Y. M. C. A. He is one of the widely known men of Indianapolis and associated with the best while here.

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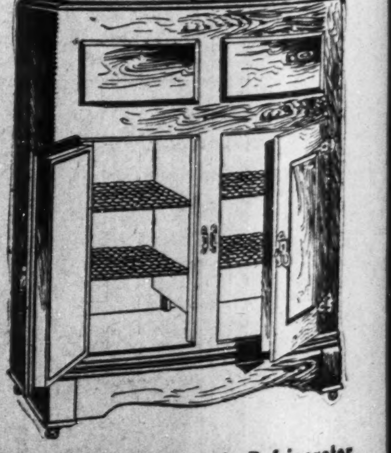

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